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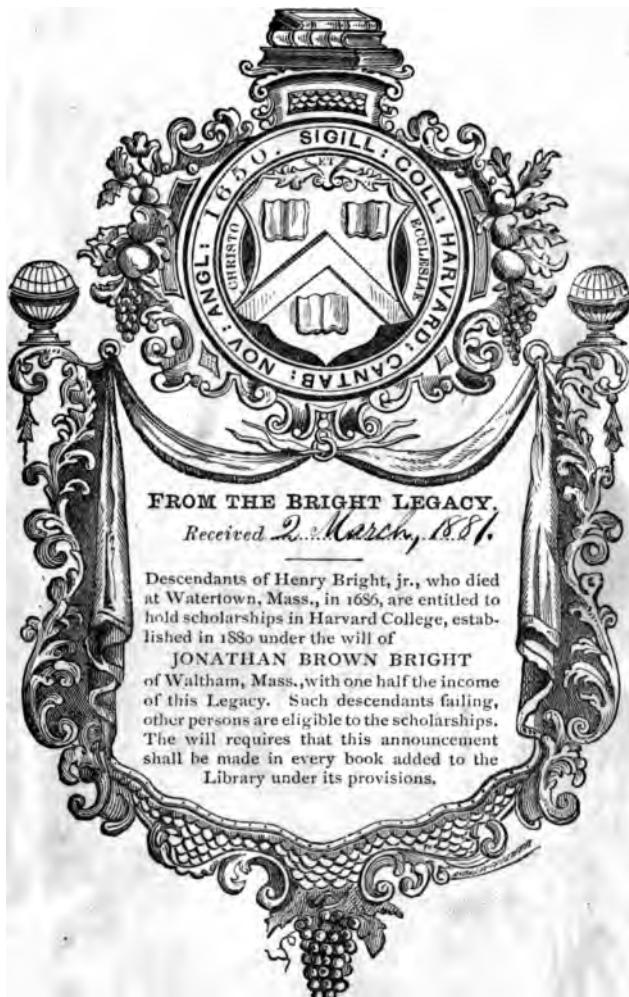


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P R E F A C E.

HISTORY, even that of a township in the back-woods of Maine, should have for its object the improvement of the reader.

His entertainment, too, is certainly desirable, but not at the expense of that higher purpose. Of the success of this little volume in either direction, it is for others to judge.

It was not proposed to confine the following pages exclusively to the township first named Porterfield, but to introduce various subjects relating more particularly to the Pine-tree State, of which this township forms a part. The writer, until recently, had no intention of calling for the services of the printer. He did intend, after obtaining the materials thought desirable, to arrange them in manuscript for himself and such friends as might have the curiosity to look over them in that form.

The individuals now living, who in childhood were familiar with the faces of our first settlers, are rapidly passing away, and soon but a meager tradition of these pioneers will remain.

If, by these pages, some memorials of them worthy of record, shall be saved from oblivion, the labor of the writer will not be wholly in vain.

T. MOULTON.

Porter, Me., June 1, 1879.

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PORTERFIELD.

THE territory which now embraces the town of Porter (except about 120 acres of Cutler's grant) and the western portion of Brownfield, was conveyed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by deed to certain persons as follows: "Know all men by these presents that we whose names are undersigned and seals affixed, appointed by the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a committee with full power to sell and convey the unappropriated lands of the said Commonwealth lying within the counties of York, Cumberland, and Lincoln, for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred and sixty-four pounds, lawful money, paid to us for the use of the said Commonwealth, by Jeremiah Hill, of Biddeford, in the county of York, Esq., and his associates hereafter named, pursuant to the contract made with them some years since, the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge, have given, granted, bargained, sold, and conveyed, and by these presents do, in behalf of the said Commonwealth, give, grant, bargain, sell, and convey to the said Jeremiah Hill and his associates, viz.: Aaron Porter, of said Biddeford, physician, Thomas Cutts and Nathaniel Scammon, both of Pepperellboro', in said county of York, esquires, Seth Storer, of said Pepperellboro', merchant, and James Coffin, of said Pepperellboro', yeoman, Caleb Emery, of Sanford, in said county of York, esquire, William Emery,

of said Sanford, and Nathaniel Merrill, of Fryeburg, in said county of York, yeomen, a township, being a tract of land lying in the county of York aforesaid, now called ‘Porterfield,’ [so-called for the above-named Dr. Porter] as the same was surveyed by Samuel Titcomb in the month of November, A.D. 1789, containing about eighteen thousand and six hundred acres, including ponds, etc., lying between the rivers Saco and Great Ossipee, in the county of York, bounded as follows, viz.: beginning at a pitch pine tree, standing on the line of New Hampshire and on the north side of said Ossipee river, thence running on said line north eight degrees east, nine miles one hundred and twenty rods to a beech tree standing at the west corner of Brownfield, thence bounded by said Brownfield, north seventy-eight degrees east, five hundred and fifty-two rods to a pitch pine tree, thence south twenty-eight degrees east, seven hundred and sixty rods to a hemlock tree standing near the south-west side of a small stream called Shepard’s river, being the northerly corner of Timothy Cutler’s land, thence bounded by said Cutler’s land, south sixty-two degrees west, nine hundred and fifty rods, thence south twenty-eight degrees east, two miles, thence north sixty-two degrees east, nine hundred and fifty rods to said Brownfield line, thence running on said Brownfield line south twenty-eight degrees east, seventy rods to a pitch pine tree, thence south eighteen degrees west, nine hundred and eighty rods to a poplar tree, thence south seven degrees east, seven hundred rods to a maple tree standing by the north side of said Ossipee river, thence running up and by said Ossipee river until it intersects first-mentioned bounds, excepting and reserving four lots of three hundred and twenty acres each for public uses, viz.: one for the first settled minister, one for the use of the ministry, one for the use of schools, and one for the future appropriation of the General Court, the said lots to average in goodness and situation with the other lands in the said township, and also

excepting and reserving for the disposition of government one hundred acres of said land for each of the following settlers who settled thereon before the first day of January A.D. 1784, laid out or to be laid out, so as best to include such settlers' improvements and be least injurious to the adjoining lands, viz.: John Libby, Meshach Libby, Stephen Libby, and James Rankins. [The deed to these four settlers and this to the proprietors were signed by the same committee. The settlers' deed was dated June 16, 1792, and is now in the possession of M. S. Moulton.] To have and to hold the afore-granted premises to the said Jeremiah and his associates as tenants in common, in the following proportions, viz.: to the said Jeremiah Hill two fifteenth parts, to the said Aaron Porter six fifteenth parts, to the said Thomas Cutts one fifteenth part, to the said Nathaniel Scammon one fifteenth part, to the said Seth Storer one fifteenth part, to the said James Coffin one fifteenth part, to the said Caleb Emery one fifteenth part, to the said William Emery one fifteenth part, to the said Nathaniel Merrill one fifteenth part. To them and their several heirs and assigns respectively, in the proportions aforesaid. And we the said Committee, in behalf of the Commonwealth aforesaid, do covenant and agree with the said Jeremiah Hill and his said associates, that the said Commonwealth shall warrant and defend the afore-granted premises, saving the exceptions and reservations aforesaid, to them, their heirs and assigns forever, in the proportions aforesaid, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

In testimony whereof the said committee have hereunto set their hands and seals this twenty-fourth day of September, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

Signed, sealed, and delivered,
in presence of us,

TIMOTHY NEWELL,

THOMAS WALCUT.

NATH'L WELLS, [L.S.]

LEO. JARVIS, [L.S.]

JOHN READ, [L.S.]

SUFFOLK, ss., Boston, Sept. 25, 1793.

Personally appeared Nath'l Wells, Leo. Jarvis, and John Read, esquires, and acknowledged this instrument to be their act and deed.

Before me, **SAMUEL COOPER, Justice of the Peace.**

A true copy, examined, and compared. Recorded March 27, 1799, Lib. 64, fol's, 60, 65."

TITLE TO MAINE, HOW ACQUIRED BY MASSACHUSETTS.

A full and impartial history of the means by which Massachusetts acquired title to these lands, would be read with much interest by our townsmen, but the limits of this work will only allow a brief statement of the most important incidents connected therewith. I give the facts as stated by historians of ability to separate the chaff from the wheat, and of integrity to state the truth, and nothing but the truth.

In 1620, James I, king of England, granted to the Council of Plymouth, a company in the county of Devon, England, all the territory, from ocean to ocean, lying between the fortieth and forty-eighth degrees of north latitude, to be known by the name of New England in America. This grant included, of course, the whole territory within the limits of Maine. In 1622 the Plymouth Company granted to Ferdinando Gorges and Captain John Mason the territory lying between the Merrimac and Kennebec rivers. In 1629 Gorges and Mason divided their possessions, Gorges taking all east of the Piscataqua, and Mason, all west. In 1635 the Plymouth Company divided their grant among the proprietors, and that portion lying between the Piscataqua and Kennebec rivers was awarded to Gorges, who, amid his embarrassments occasioned by restless Frenchmen and encroaching Puritans, sought from king Charles I, and received in 1639, a new charter confirming his former claims to the territory between the Piscataqua and Kennebec rivers, and

extending one hundred and twenty miles inland. This territory was then for the first time called "The Province of Maine." Prior to this time, Gorges called his grant New Somersetshire.

As early as 1658 Massachusetts *assumed* jurisdiction over a portion of this territory, and, at length, over the whole State. She did not merely *assume* jurisdiction, but was prepared to use a more effective weapon than the pen. In 1663 she sent her mandate to the people of Maine, requiring them to give obedience to her laws. Soon after, she ordered here a military force of cavalry and infantry. This force proceeded to York, where a court established by Gorges was in session, drove the judge and his assistants from the court-house, imprisoned the commander of the local militia, and threatened the judge and all who favored the Gorges' interest. Ministers of the gospel were seized and imprisoned for preaching doctrines distasteful to the ruling powers of Massachusetts. Other kindred acts need not here be stated.

Some plausible reason was to be found, or rather invented, for such high-handed aggressions. The Massachusetts charter established its northern boundary "three miles north of the Merrimac." These words plainly mean that its northern boundary was three miles beyond the river at its mouth. This point was well known to the grantors and grantees, but the region three miles beyond the head-waters of the Merrimac was a *terra incognita*—unknown alike to both the king and council, and to the grantees. In fact, all, before this time, were agreed in the interpretation here stated; but after Maine had been seized, in order to justify the wrong, a new interpretation must be devised. They found that the river, about thirty miles from its mouth, turns from its general direction, and making nearly a right angle, stretches to the north. So, tracing up the river to find its source among the hills and mountains, and following the lessening stream until

vision keen can no longer discern a tiny ripple or sign of moisture, they thread the wilderness three weary miles further to the north, and there the goal of their search is attained. Thence, a course due east is said to have been taken until the shore of the Atlantic was reached. The northern line of their grant is established, and a territory embracing nearly all of new Hampshire, and a large and valuable portion of Maine is, *de facto* and *de jure*, theirs. So much shrewdness can hardly be excelled at the present day by our experts in sharp practices. Acquiescence on the part of the Maine colonists could hardly have been expected. An appeal was at once made to the crown. The king in council decided in 1677 that the north line of the Massachusetts colony was three miles from the north bank of the Merrimac at its mouth, and that the province of Maine, both as to soil and government, was the rightful property of the Gorges' heirs.

Thus baffled, Massachusetts was by no means disposed to yield, even to the king. Forthwith, her agent hastened to England, found a grandson of Ferdinando Gorges, paid him the vast sum of twelve hundred and fifty pounds for his interest in his grandfather's American possessions (a sum but little more than double that paid to Massachusetts by Hill and his associates for the plantation of Porterfield), and so, whatever the value of his inheritance, willing or unwilling to make sale of it, he received his mess of pottage. The agent having returned, possession under the spurious title was duly proclaimed. On the accession to the throne of William and Mary, who were known to be not unfriendly to the Massachusetts' colonists, a royal charter was applied for, and in 1691 granted. The colonies of Plymouth, Massachusetts, Maine, Sagadahoc, and Acadia were, by this charter, consolidated under one title, "The Province of Massachusetts Bay." Former charters were utterly ignored, the doctrine that might makes right, prevailed, and Maine, not Gorges' grant alone, became an appendage to Massachusetts.

When Massachusetts attempted to subjugate Maine by military force, she claimed no title to any part of it from Gorges or his heirs. On the contrary, she imprisoned officers who had been appointed by Gorges, and threatened all who favored his interest. How, then, could the contract with the grandson, made more than twenty years after her military raid into Maine, in the least degree justify the wrongs inflicted by her upon our people? It seems, at this late day, that the advantages to be derived from the charter of William and Mary, rather than justification, solely governed her action. If the charter was granted in consequence of the purchase from Gorges' grandson, the twelve hundred and fifty pounds swelled to millions of dollars. Be this as it may, the gain to Massachusetts from the charter, and the consequent loss to Maine, was several millions of dollars.

The following is an extract from the speech of Mr. Blaine, made in the U. S. Senate, session of 1877-78:

"Mr. Dawes calls Maine the daughter of Massachusetts. Let us for a moment examine her authority to claim such a parentage. She had early and gradually extended her motherly jurisdiction over the northern part of Maine, against the wishes and protest of the inhabitants, especially those east of Saco, who were Episcopalians. It is immaterial whether they 'came seeking commercial advantage or to worship God,' so long as we know they did worship him on every returning Sabbath day in the beautiful liturgy of the English church, read in the chapel at Richmond's Island, in 1635, first by Rev. Richard Gibson, a graduate of Cambridge, England, and after him, by Rev. Robert Jordan, whose baptismal font of bell-metal has been preserved by his descendants to the present time. There the boats flocked from all the region round, 'like doves to their windows.' These good men were forbidden by Massachusetts to exercise their ministerial functions, and were imprisoned for so doing. The jurisdiction of Massa-

chusetts was annulled by the king in 1676. Then she sent her agent, John Usher, to England, to negotiate with the grandson of Sir Ferdinando Gorges, who was dead, for the purchase of his right to the soil, which was accomplished, in 1677, for twelve hundred and fifty pounds. Yet the English government denied the right of the purchaser to govern the district, and not until 1691 did the Massachusetts Colony finally throttle the Episcopalianists of the territory of what is now Cumberland county, which was settled at the same time as Boston. Then she swallowed Maine and Nova Scotia at one gulp, and her governor fitted out an expedition to take Quebec for an outpost, but the elements were against him. Our District of Maine remained unassimilated in the capacious maw, a century and a quarter, yet I think the so-called mother is entitled to some credit for her saying to us, go in peace, which was her only motherly act. Can the old Bay State claim parentage with propriety when we are as old as herself, and came under her guardianship by our own weakness and the cupidity of the heir of the good Sir Ferdinando Gorges?"

DISCOVERY AND SETTLEMENT.

The first discovery of the coast of Maine, says the Hon. William Willis, was made by the Northmen as early as the year 990. In 1498, 1524, 1525, 1527, and 1556, the coast was visited or seen by various adventurers from Europe. The first attempt at settlement was made as early as 1604 by the French, but was abandoned the next year. Other unsuccessful attempts followed.

The time of the first permanent settlement is not with certainty known. The same historian states that Gorges and Mason in 1623 planted a colony at the mouth of the Piscataqua, in the present town of Kittery, which was the first occupation of the mainland in Maine. Ex-governor Cham-

berlain, in his centennial address, considers 1607 and 1608 as the time, and the region of the Sagadahoc, as the place, when and where the permanent settlement of Maine began.

In 1630 the Piscataqua settlement, it is said, contained a population of 200, Agamenticus (York) 150, Saco 175, and all the territory between the Piscataqua and Penobscot, 1500 white people. The first court established in Maine was at Saco in 1636, and there was a general court at the same place in 1640. In 1641 Gorges organized a capital at Agamenticus, naming it Georgianna, the first chartered city in America.

Of the distinguished men of our country in the early period of its history, Maine furnished, as natives or settlers upon her soil, her full quota. Among these were Sir William Phipps, the first governor of Massachusetts, born at Woolwich, Maine, in 1651; James Sullivan, another governor of Massachusetts, distinguished as a jurist as well as a statesman, born at Berwick in 1744; Gen. John Sullivan, of revolutionary fame, and member of the first Continental Congress; Gen. Henry Knox, a favorite of Washington, and his first Secretary of War; Gen. Henry Dearborn, Jefferson's first Secretary of War; Rufus King, a statesman and diplomatist; Gen. Jedediah, and Commodore Edward Preble; Commodore Tucker; Gen. Peleg Wadsworth; and George Thatcher, the judge and statesman.

SITUATION AND AREA.

The State lies between $42^{\circ} 57'$ and $47^{\circ} 30'$ north latitude, and between $5^{\circ} 45'$ and $10^{\circ} 10'$ east longitude from Washington. Its area is 32,000 square miles, or 20,480,000 acres. Its greatest length from the mouth of the Piscataqua to its most northern point is 320 miles. Its greatest width from the Atlantic to Canada line is 160 miles; and a straight line from the mouth of the Piscataqua to Quoddy Head is 250 miles.

CLIMATE.

The annual average temperature at Portland for 32 years (from 1825 to 1857) was 43° 23'. The highest point attained was 100° 5'; the lowest, Jan 24, 1857, 25° below zero. At Northfield, Vt., the mercury fell to 40° below; at Augusta, 42° below; at Dartmouth College, 30° below; and at Bangor 44° below.

THE CLIMATE OF MAINE AND ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR 1874, COMPARED.

According to meteorological records kept at Porter, Me., and at Xenia, Clay Co., Ill., the average height of the mercury at sunrise, as indicated by the thermometer, was

At Porter.	At Xenia.	At Porter.	At Xenia.
For January...19° 42' and 32° 27'		For July.....57° 44' and 70° 58'	
" February..14° 47' " 30° 6'		" August....51° 56' " 68° 19'	
" March....22° 8' " 35° 13'		" Septem'r..50° 29' " 59° 6'	
" April.....26° 18' " 38° 36'		" October...38° 17' " 46° 58'	
" May.....41° 54' " 58° 31'		" November.25° 40' " 38° 20'	
" June.....59° 5C' " 68° 56'		" December.13° 21' " 31° 48'	

The average for the year at Porter was 34° 30', at Xenia 47° 56'.

STATE VALUATION AND POPULATION BY COUNTIES FOR THE YEAR 1870.

Counties.	When Incorporated.	Valuation.	Population.
Androscoggin.....1854.....	\$17,592,555.....	35,866	
Aroostook.....1839.....	4,992,285.....	29,609	
Cumberland.....1760.....	48,942,323.....	82,021	
Franklin.....1838.....	5,791,659.....	18,807	
Hancock.....1789.....	7,554,073.....	36,495	
Kennebec.....1799.....	21,004,034.....	53,203	
Knox.....1860.....	10,507,542.....	30,823	
Lincoln.....1760.....	6,857,610.....	25,597	
Oxford.....1805.....	9,894,166.....	33,488	
Penobscot.....1816.....	22,697,948.....	75,150	
Piscataquis.....1838.....	4,857,280.....	14,403	
Sagadahoc.....1854.....	11,041,340.....	18,803	
Somerset.....1809.....	10,990,609.....	34,611	
Waldo.....1827.....	10,090,581.....	34,522	
Washington.....1789.....	9,566,038.....	43,343	
York.....*.....	22,442,875.....	60,174	
Total.....	\$224,822,918.....	626,915	

*The first court within the limits of Maine was established by Gorges at Saco in 1636. He also established a General Court there in 1640. A Court of Common Pleas in 1659, and a Supreme Court in 1699 were granted by Massachusetts to the county.

Valuation of the United States in 1870, \$30,068,518,507.

As this total of \$224,822,918 does not include property exempt by law from taxation, and as the assessors of no town knowingly render to the State for taxation a valuation *excessively* high, the aggregate wealth of the State was many millions more than these figures indicate.

**POPULATION OF MAINE AND OF THE UNITED STATES, IN
SUCCESSIVE DECADES.**

	<i>1790</i>	<i>1800</i>	<i>1810</i>	<i>1820</i>	<i>1830</i>
Maine.....	95,540...	151,719...	228,705...	298,335...	399,455
United States.....	3,929,827...	5,305,937...	7,239,814...	9,638,191...	12,866,020
	<i>1840</i>	<i>1850</i>	<i>1860</i>	<i>1870</i>	
Maine.....	501,793..	583,169..	628,279..	626,915	
United States.....	17,069,458..	23,191,876..	31,307,080..	38,925,598	

According to Behm and Wagner's statistics, the total population of the earth is 1,439,145,300, Europe 312,398,500, Asia 881,000,000, Africa 205, 219,500, Australasia and Polynesia 4,411,300, and America 86,116,000.

The plantation of Porterfield, as bought by Hill and his associates, is sufficiently described in the committee's deed to them; but the plantation as incorporated in 1802 included, in addition, Cutler's grant of 3,800 acres. After the conveyance to Hill and his associate proprietors, John Wingate was appointed by them surveyor of the tract; and when his surveys and plan of the same had been completed (each lot being marked on the plan with the name of its owner), they formally agreed that this plan "should govern them in all respects, and should be used in evidence in all cases respecting any part of the premises." Three well executed copies of this plan are owned in town, one by the town.

In that part of Porterfield embraced within the limits of Porter as incorporated, the first settlement was made by Meshach Libby, from Pittsfield, N. H., in 1781. In a short time he was followed by his father, John Libby, and his brother Stephen, also from Pittsfield. Michael Floyd came

next. These were the only settlers until 1787, when Benjamin Bickford, Benjamin Bickford, jr., and Samuel Bickford, from Rochester, N. H., and Benjamin Ellenwood, from Groton, Mass., were added to their number. Mr. Ellenwood resided here about ten years, and then left with his family. In about 1791 David Allord, Job Allord, Joseph Clark, and Moses Drown, from Rochester, became settlers. May 22, 1792, David Moulton, from Hampton, N. H., purchased a farm in the plantation, but did not move in until April 27, 1793. The settlement of Benjamin Bickford, jr., David and Job Allord, Clark, and Drown, continued but a few years.

By the terms of the deed to Hill and others, four lots were reserved to those settling thereon before the first day of January, 1784; to Meshach Libby the lot sold by him to David Moulton, and now owned by Moses S. Moulton; to John Libby a lot now owned by William T. Taylor, who, with his son Simeon, lived on it until the death of the father about 1804; to Stephen Libby the lot, the northern part of which is now owned by Meshach Mason and sons and by George W. Ridlon; and to James Rankins the lot for many years (from 1793 to 1817) owned and occupied by Daniel Knowles, and by the late Daniel Towle from 1817 to 1872.

The committee's deed is all the evidence we have that Rankins ever had a settlement in the plantation. Stephen Libby and Francis Mathews state in their affidavits, recorded among the town records, book 3, page 110, that Michael Floyd first settled upon this lot, and that it was granted to him as a settler prior to Jan. 1, 1784; and in the deed to Daniel Knowles this lot is described as "the one first inhabited by Michael Floyd and sold by him to James Rankins." If Rankins had been an actual settler here, the fact would have been well known, not only to Libby and Mathews, but to all the early settlers; but he was never, to my knowledge, spoken of by them as one of their number, neither is his name

found on the plantation records. Hence I conclude that Ranksins' settlement was a mere paper one, and that Michael Floyd was the fourth settler. After a few years' residence here, Floyd went to Parsonsfield, where he died. His widow died in Porter.

Meshach Libby, May 22, 1792, sold his lot to David Moulton, "for sixty pounds, lawful money," and bought that of his brother Stephen. Meshach remained on the lot purchased of Stephen until his death. Stephen, after the sale of his farm to his brother, bought a tract of land adjoining, and east of, David Moulton's, embracing the present homesteads of Truworthy C. Libby, Hanson Libby, Henry M. Libby, John Weeks, a lot of about forty acres owned by Samuel Ridlon, jr., a part of John C. Mason's farm, and about thirty acres of the farm of Moses S. Moulton, and made his home thereon many years.

FAMILIES OF SEVERAL SETTLERS WHO ESTABLISHED
THEIR RESIDENCE BEFORE 1800.

MESHACH LIBBY, who was born about 1750, and died in March, 1829, married, first, Deborah Ely, and second, Hannah Cram. The children of Meshach and Deborah were, Sarah, who was born in 1771, and married in June, 1793, Gideon Mason; Mary, who married William Hill; Meshach, jr.; Elsy, who married Edward Hill; Elizabeth, who died in childhood; and Eunice, who married Jacob Hurd. Elizabeth and Eunice only were born after Mr. Libby's settlement here. Elizabeth was the first child of European descent born within the limits of Porter, and was buried upon the border of her father's garden, a few rods westerly of the workshop of Moses S. Moulton. Widow Lamson, the mother of Benjamin Ellenwood's wife, is said to have been the first white person dying in town. Her burial place is on the farm of Simeon Day. Elizabeth Libby was born between 1781 and

1786. None of the children are supposed to be now living. Their father was buried in the family burying-ground, north-westerly from the house of Meshach Mason and sons, and south from the house of George W. Ridlon. Peregrine White, son of Mrs. Susanna White, who came over in the Mayflower, was born the last of November, 1620. He was said to be the first child of European extraction born in New England.

JOHN LIBBY and wife died, it is said, about twenty years after their settlement in the plantation, and were buried a few rods westerly from their house. There is no record evidence of the time of their birth or death. Their children were Meshach, Enoch, John, jr., Simeon, Jonathan, Stephen, Kezia, who married —— Sargent, and Mary, who married Daniel Knowles.

STEPHEN LIBBY first married Mary Knowles. She was born March 1, 1768, and died in October, 1816. Their children were: 1, James, b. June 5, 1784, m. Phebe Benson; 2, Daniel, b. April 3, 1786, m. Mary Rundlett; 3, Josiah, b. March 23, 1788, d. June 8, 1788; 4, Mary, b. July 30, 1789, m. Josiah Weeks; 5, Jemima, b. August 22, 1791, m. Joshua Weeks, and d. May 12, 1879; 6, Stephen, jr., b. May 21, 1793, m. Dorothy Blake, and d. Dec. 4, 1868; 7, Sally, b. Jan. 20, 1795, m. Jordan Stacy; 8, John, b. Feb. 20, 1797, m. Nancy Libby, and d. Jan. 21, 1878; 9, David, b. Jan. 16, 1799, m. Betsy Towle; 10, Aphia, b. Dec. 6, 1800; m. Ralph King; 11, Olive, b. July 5, 1802, m., William Hodsdon. His second wife was Nancy Mathews, b. Dec. 13, 1788, m. Jan. 9, 1817, and died Jan. 9, 1818, leaving one daughter: 12, Lydia, b. Dec. 23, 1817, m. William Perry. His third wife was Sally Mathews, a sister of Nancy, who was born May 13, 1793, m. March 17, 1818, and d. Dec. 16,

1866. Their children were : 13, a son that died in infancy ; 14, Daniel, b. March 19, 1821, m. Almira Howard ; 15, Albion, b. June 9, 1823, m. Harriet Bragg ; 16, Nancy, b. April 28, 1825, m. Ezekiel Jenness ; 17, William T., b. Dec. 23, 1827, m. Susan Marston ; 18, Thomas, b. Dec. 23, 1827, and d. March 23, 1828 ; 19, Gideon, b. June 19, 1830, m. Catharine McMann. The second son, Daniel, was the first male child born within the limits of Porter. None of the nineteen children are now living, except Olive, William T., and Gideon. Their father was born April 26, 1763, died Oct. 25, 1855, and was buried in the family burial ground of the late Jacob French. His first and second wives were buried in the lot owned by M. S. Moulton.

DAVID MOULTON was b. in Hampton, N. H., June 18, 1760, m. Feb. 16, 1794, Dorothy Moulton, of Portsmouth, N. H., and d. Oct. 18, 1838. His wife was b. June 22, 1770, and d. Jan. 19, 1853. Their children were : 1, John, b. Dec. 7, 1794, m. Jane Coffin, and d. March 4, 1876 ; 2, Joseph, b. July 23, 1797, m. Abigail G. Beal ; 3, Sarah, b. Dec. 18, 1799 ; 4, David, jr., b. Aug. 23, 1802, m. Phebe Wentworth, and d. June 13, 1867 ; 5, Mary, b. Jan. 28, 1805, m. Moses Swett, and d. Dec. 16, 1886 ; 6, Thomas, b. Aug. 15, 1810.

DANIEL KNOWLES was one of our oldest settlers, his birth having probably been as early as 1740. He had three wives. The name of the first is unknown ; that of the second was Mrs. Pottle, and that of the third, Mary Libby. The second wife lived about one year after her marriage. Children by first wife were : 1, Mary, b. Mar. 1, 1768, m. Stephen Libby ; 2, Hannah, m. Simeon Libby ; 3, Jemima, m. Elijah Fox ; 4, Isaac ; 5, Sally, m. —— Watson ; 6, Experience, m. Josiah Kezar ; 7, Rachel, m. Jonathan Hodsdon. Children by third wife : 8, Comfort ; 9, Olive ; 10, Tryphene.

SIMEON LIBBY m. Hannah Knowles. Their children were: 1, John; 2, Samuel; 3, Hannah, m. Levi Libby; 4, Isaac; 5, Josiah; 6, Simeon, jr.; 7, Job; 8, Daniel; 9, Abram, b. April 11, 1805; 10, Lemuel Rich; 11, Mary, b. 1810, m. Aaron Houghtaling; 12, Julia Ann; 13, Jesse W. D.

GIDEON MASON was born in Pittsfield, N. H., June 22, 1772, and m. in June, 1793, Sarah Libby, daughter of Me-shach, who was born in 1771. Their children were: 1, Isaac, b. in Porter, Sept. 4, 1794, and d. Jan. 15, 1867; 2, Me-shach, b. April 6, 1797; 3, Betsey, b. March 25, 1799, and d. unm. May 5, 1835; 4, Jonathan, b. Feb. 22, 1802, d. in Lovell; 5, Simon, b. June 13, 1806; 6, Susan, b. Dec. 13, 1808, m. Abraham Chapman.

JOHN MASON, brother of Gideon, was born Aug. 21, 1774, m. Aug. 7, 1793, Tryphene, daughter of David Allord, d. Oct. 12, 1867. She was born Aug. 25, 1775, d. May 1, 1852. Their children were: 1, Jacob, b. Jan. 1, 1794, d. Oct. 26, 1813; 2, Sally, b. July 8, 1795, in Porter, m. David Col-cord, and d. Feb. 7, 1877; 3, Abraham, b. Oct. 25, 1797; 4, John, jr., b. Dec. 19, 1799, and d. March 20, 1879; 5, Henry, b. Feb. 12, 1802; 6, Lydia, b. Oct. 30, 1804, m. Rufus Brooks; 7, Mary, b. Oct. 8, 1806, m. Ralph McCartee, and d. Feb. 10, 1851; 8, Thomas, b. Jan. 30, 1809, and d. Nov. 16, 1865; 9, Tryphene, b. April 23, 1812, m. E. C. Pillsbury; 10, Joseph, b. July 3, 1814; 11, Abigail, b. April 14, 1816, m. John Lord.

HENRY FLOYD m. Betsey Bickford, and d. Sept. 20, 1827. His wife was born in Rochester, N. H., Feb. 27, 1775. Their children were: 1, Michael, b. in Porter, Oct. 4, 1794; 2, Sally, b. Jan. 2, 1796, m. Andrew Varney; 3, Lovina, b. Feb. 17, 1798; 4, William, b. Dec. 13, 1803; 5, Henry, jr.,

b. July 13, 1805; 6, Lovell, b. Aug. 31, 1807; 7, Betsey, b. May 2, 1809; 8, Jacob, b. Nov. 2, 1812; 9, Ira, b. Oct. 12, 1815.

WILLIAM FRENCH was born Sept. 15, 1776, m. March 11, 1797, by Elder Benjamin Randall, the founder of the F. W. Baptists, to Kezia, daughter of Isaac Libby. His wife was born March 28, 1776. Their children were: 1, James, b. Sept. 24, 1798; 2, William, jr., b. Dec. 3, 1801; 3, Isaac, b. April 26, 1803, and d. June 17, 1827; 4, Ruth, b. Dec. 10, 1806, and m. Joseph G. Towle; 5, John Moulton, b. May 21, 1813, d. March 11, 1818.

JOHN FRENCH, b. Sept. 26, 1775, m. Sally Trefren, and d. Aug. 21, 1836. His wife was b. Sept. 14, 1774, and d. March 12, 1856. Their children were: 1, Benjamin, b. in Farmington, N. H., Feb. 7, 1796; 2, Jacob, b. in Porter, March 1, 1798, and d. Feb. 16, 1878; 3, Sally, b. March 23, 1800, m. Nehemiah F. Towle; 4, Aaron, b. April 7, 1802; 5, Mary, b. August 5, 1804, d. unm. Feb. 21, 1838; 6, John, jr., b. Dec. 6, 1806; 7, Kezia, b. May 25, 1809, m. Alexander Berry; 8, Lucy, b. August 13, 1811, m. Jesse Bickford, and d. Jan. 7, 1878.

CHARLES NUTTER, b. in Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 27, 1783, m. Mrs. Olive Durgin, daughter of Ebenezer Taylor, and d. May 1, 1845. His wife was b. Jan. 9, 1778, and d. Aug. 24, 1846. Their children were: 1, Almira, b. Feb. 15, 1808, m. James Perry; 2, Charles, jr., b. Aug. 28, 1810, d. Sept. 14, 1874; 3, Cordelia, b. Oct. 28, 1812, m. Richard Cosins; 4, Eben. T., b. March 12, 1815; 5, Sarah Ann, b. Jan. 20, 1818, m. Alvan Pride; 6, Henry, b. Jan. 17, 1821.

JOSEPH PEARL m. Catharine Clark, and d. in 1813.

Both were of Rochester, N. H. Mrs. Pearl d. May 4, 1837. Their children were : 1, Polly, who m. William Moulton ; 2, Simeon ; 3, Betsey, m. Ichabod Bickford ; 4, Benjamin, d. June 1, 1830 ; 5, Sally, m. Jonathan Quint ; 6, Diamond ; 7, Anna, m. James Stanley ; 8, John ; 9, Joseph, jr. ; 10, James, b. Feb. 26, 1804.

FAMILIES OF PERSONS WHO JOINED THE SETTLEMENT
AT A LATER PERIOD.

JOSEPH TOWLE, b. Feb. 18, 1747, m. Oct. 2, 1769, Elizabeth Coffin, and d. April 1, 1820. His wife was b. March 7, 1753, and d. Feb. 17, 1829. Their children were : 1, Amos, b. Oct. 1, 1770 ; 2, Joseph, jr., b. Sept. 3, 1772, and d. Dec. 27, 1848 ; 3, William, b. July 18, 1774, d. April 25, 1841 ; 4, Ezra, b. Feb. 14, 1776, d. June 4, 1802 ; 5, Nancy, b. April 24, 1778, m. Eben. Blazo, d. Dec., 1801 ; 6, Daniel, b. Jan. 24, 1780, d. March 25, 1875 ; 7, Elizabeth, b. Aug. 27, 1783, m. James Garland ; 8, Sarah, b. March 26, 1785, m. Samuel Taylor, d. April 10, 1866 ; 9, David, b. Dec. 27, 1787, d. Aug. 7, 1860 ; 10, Simon, b. May 16, 1794, d. Oct. 4, 1814.

JESSE COLCORD, b. in Newmarket, N. H., Feb. 9, 1769 m. first, Elizabeth Nason, and d. April 3, 1835. Child : John N., b. in Sanford, April 18, 1793, and d. May 25, 1852. Mr. Colcord m. April 6, 1794, second, Betsey Emery, who was b. Oct. 21, 1771, and d. Dec. 6, 1829. Children : Elizabeth, b. Nov. 30, 1794, d. April 19, 1795 ; David, b. April 28, 1796, d. June 9, 1867 ; Mary H., b. April 27, 1798, m. John Pearl, d. August 28, 1876 ; Betsey, b. July 13, 1800, d. Dec. 8, 1800 ; Rhoda, b. Mar. 16, 1802, d. April 27, 1802 ; Jesse, jr., b. April 8, 1803, d. Nov. 25, 1825 ; Phineas, b. Feb. 8, 1806, d. Aug. 21, 1846 ; Susan N., b. in Porter, Dec. 4,

1808, d. July 18, 1832; Isabella, b. June 5, 1811, m. Stephen Brooks; Caleb E., b. Mar. 4, 1814, d. Aug. 20, 1853; Charlotte S., b. Feb. 18, 1817, m. Peter H. Hatch, and d. in Oregon City, June 30, 1846.

JAMES COFFIN, b. in Biddeford, m. Jane McMillan, and d. March 11, 1823. His wife was b. in Conway, N. H., and d. May 27, 1859. Children: James, jr., b. in Biddeford, Jan. 24, 1799, d. July 8, 1833; Jane, b. Oct. 31, 1800, and m. John Moulton; Hannah, b. Sept. 12, 1802, m. James W. Thompson; Martha, b. April 18, 1804, m. William Rice; Andrew McM., b. Feb. 7, 1806; Catharine, b. in Porter, Dec. 21, 1807, m. Stephen Berry; Shuah T., b. April 11, 1810, m. James Norris; Edmund, b. July 11, 1812; Sophia Ann, b. Sept. 25, 1815, m. Addison Prentiss.

JOHN FOX, b. in Gilmanton, N. H., May 26, 1760, m. first, Deborah Gilman, and d. April 17, 1834. His wife was b. Nov. 13, 1760, and d. July 26, 1810. Children: 1, Nathaniel, b. Nov. 30, 1786, d. Feb. 6, 1853; 2, Deborah G., b. Oct. 4, 1788, m. Thomas Howard; 3, Sarah, b. May 25, 1791, m. Isaac Bickford; 4, Mary G., b. Sept. 2, 1793, m. John Libby, and d. Sept. 4, 1865; 5, Anna, b. Dec. 7, 1795, m. Jonathan Peare, d. July 17, 1865; 6, John, jr., b. Dec. 7, 1795, d. May 6, 1852; 7, Lydia, b. March 5, 1798, and d. Oct. 21, 1825; 8, Charlotte, b. Nov. 29, 1800, m. Ezra Bickford; 9, Ruth P., b. Aug. 9, 1803, m. Job Libby. Mr. Fox m. second, Susan Mills. Their children were: Andrew G., b. Jan. 20, 1813; William, Edward, Susan, and James.

TOBIAS LIBBY, b. in Rochester, April 2, 1783, m. Sept. 29, 1805, Abigail Randall, and d. June 30, 1858. His wife was b. in Lee, N. H., March 8, 1788, and d. Feb. 19, 1868. Children: John M., b. Aug. 21, 1806, and d. March 29,

1865 ; Isaac, b. Sept. 5, 1809 ; Nancy, b. July 24, 1811, m. John Stanley, and d. Aug. 13, 1873 ; Randall, b. Oct. 31, 1815 ; Tobias, jr., b. Jan. 27, 1821, and d. Oct. 31, 1868 ; Edwin B., b. July 11, 1825, and d. 1854 ; Abigail, b. June 17, 1829, m. Joseph T. Rice.

JOSEPH STANLEY, from Shapleigh, m. first, Betsey Parsons ; second, Eunice Stone ; third, Sally Palmer ; fourth, Mary Nason. Mr. S. d. Sept. 18, 1843. Children by first wife : Charles, Samuel, and Olive, who m. Samuel Hooper. Children by second wife : Betsey, b. Dec. 28, 1802, m. Caleb Thompson ; James, b. March 2, 1804 ; Joseph, jr., b. Dec. 21, 1806 ; John, b. May 13, 1808 ; Eunice, b. April 4, 1810, m. William Ridlon, d. May 7, 1854. Children by fourth wife : Mary, b. July 24, 1824, m. Charles Hadley ; Benjamin, b. Sept. 11, 1827.

JOHN STACY, b. at Berwick, Feb. 20, 1764, m. Ruth Gould, and d. May 18, 1837. Children : Oliver, b. Sept. 30, 1792 ; Salome, b. Sept., 1793, m. Jonathan Fox ; Jordan, b. March 5, 1796 ; Hannah, b. 1799, m. John Mason ; George, b. Nov. 9, 1804, d. April 3, 1876 ; Ruth.

SAMUEL TAYLOR, b. in Hampton, N. H., March 27, 1781, m. Aug. 22, 1803, Sarah Coffin, and d. Aug. 31, 1846. His wife was b. in Epsom, N. H., March 26, 1785, and d. April 10, 1866. Children : William T., b. April 24, 1810 ; Samuel, jr., b. March 23, 1812, d. March 9, 1855 ; Simon, b. April 16, 1815, d. Feb. 16, 1853 ; Eliza Ann, b. July 22, 1820, d. Sept. 17, 1842 ; Daniel, b. March 4, 1823 ; Josephine, b. June 16, 1825, m. John Sutton ; David, b. March 17, 1829, d. Oct. 23, 1868 ; Amos, b. March 17, 1829.

WILLIAM TOWLE, b. in Epsom, July 18, 1774, m. Mercy

Garland, and d. April 25, 1841. Children: Hannah, b. Dec. 18, 1797, m. James Coolbroth; William, jr., b. Oct. 3, 1801; Joseph G., b. March 22, 1806, d. Dec. 28, 1875; Mercy, b. May 8, 1809, m. Benjamin Larrabee; Nancy, b. August 8, 1812, m. Nathaniel Bedell; Maria, b. April 7, 1819, m. John Kezar.

SETTLERS OF A LATER PERIOD THAN 1792.

The following-named persons had a residence in the town, as early as 1803, and when there is evidence of an earlier settlement, the words "as early as" are to be supplied by the reader, before the year annexed.

Josiah Bridges, who lived at Porter Village, near the spring called "The Bridges Spring," Benjamin Bridges, probably a brother of Josiah, who lived and died on the farm occupied by the late William Floyd (the cultivation of this farm was his chief employment, but a portion of his time was devoted to turning out, in a rudely constructed lathe, bowls and mortars, then an essential part of household furniture), Josiah Bridges, jr., James Bridges, Jonathan Blazo, 1802, Samuel Brooks, Hezekiah Bickford, who was the second captain of the military company first organized in the plantation, Jonathan Cook, Abraham Cook, Nathaniel Cook, John and William French, from Farmington, N. H., 1796, Jacob French, 1802, John Fox, 1801, Edward Fox, Elijah Fox, Henry Floyd, 1794, John Hayes, an emigrant from Ireland, where he had been employed as a weaver, David Hodsdon, Daniel Knowles, 1793, Isaac Knowles, Simeon and Jonathan Libby, John Libby, jr., who, it was said, had so retentive a memory that, having heard a lengthy sermon, he could repeat the whole of it, imitating very accurately both the tones and gestures of the speaker (aside from memory he was not endowed with superior mental powers), Meshach Libby, jr.,

Hanson and Tobias Libby, and Isaac Libby their father, Gideon Mason, 1794, John Mason, 1795, Francis Mathews, 1802, Charles Nutter, 1797, Joseph Pottle, 1793, who was the first captain of the plantation company, David Pottle, 1793, Joseph Pearl, 1793, Thomas Randall, the father of the poet, Samuel Richards, Samuel Richards, 2d, and John Thompson.

The following-named persons settled later, but before the incorporation of the town: Job Bailey in 1806, James Coffin in 1806, who was the first justice of the peace in the town, Samuel Hodsdon, 1805, William Stanley, 1805, Joseph and Elisha Stanley, 1806, John Stacy, April 8, 1804, Ebenezer Taylor, 1806, Henry Tibbets, 1805, and Richard Young, 1805.

Jonathan Blazo, Elijah Fox, John Hayes, Jonathan Libby, Meshach Libby, jr., Joseph Pottle, Thomas Randall, Samuel Richards, 2d, Job Bailey, William Stanley, and Richard Young, were not permanent settlers. Daniel and Isaac Knowles and Simeon Libby removed to the State of New York in 1817.

PLANTATION RECORDS.

The plantation meetings were held at the dwelling houses of Wm. Broad, Daniel Brooks, John Wentworth, Abraham Cook and Josiah Bridges, jr. The first meeting was held July 12, 1802, at the house of Wm. Broad. At this meeting, Nathaniel Merrill, an original proprietor, was chosen moderator, and it was voted "to raise twelve pounds for the plantation's use, to give the collector, John Merrill, two shillings per pound for collecting, to raise \$200.00 in labor for repairing roads, and not to have any gates or bars across the county road after this season, and to keep gates or bars across the other roads till next March meeting."

At a meeting held Aug. 23, 1802, a road previously laid out "from the north side of Libby's Settler's lot" (the lot originally granted to Stephen, but then owned by Meshach Libby) "to the county road in Pottle's mill yard" (at Porter village), was accepted. This was the first highway built by taxation, in the plantation, the county road having been built by the proprietors, in accordance with a contract referred to in their deed. At the same meeting, the road laid out from Porter village, through the western part of the town, to Freedom line, was accepted ; also "a road from Jonathan Blazo's" (where Geo. E. Stacy now lives), "to the county road" ; and at a meeting held Sept. 7 of the same year, a continuation of the first-named road over the hill, to the house of Stephen Libby (now T. C. Libby) was accepted. At a meeting April 4, 1803, it was voted "that the assessors shall have 75 cents per day for their services, and the treasurer one dollar for his services the past year, that good gates may be kept across the roads, except the county road, and that the annual plantation meetings shall be held on the first Monday of April." At a meeting held June 13, 1803, the plantation was divided into five school districts, three of which were within the present limits of Porter, and two within the limits of Brownfield.

The following is the list of names as recorded in the three districts :

FIRST DISTRICT.	SECOND DISTRICT.	THIRD DISTRICT.
Thomas Randall,	David Moulton,	Isaac Knowles,
Samuel Richards,	Simeon Libby,	Samuel Brooks,
Sam'l Richards, 2d,	Stephen Libby,	Henry Floyd,
Joseph Pottle,	Edward Fox,	Hezekiah Bickford,
John French,	Meshach Libby, jr.,	Joseph Pearl,
Wm. French,	John Mason,	John Hayes,
Hanson Libby,	Jonathan Libby,	Jonathan Cook,

Tobias Libby,	Elijah Fox,	Nathaniel Cook,
Daniel Knowles,	John Fox,	James Bridges,
Francis Mathews,	Gideon Mason.	Josiah Bridges, jr.,
Meshach Libby,		David Hodsdon,
Jacob French.		Abraham Cook,
		John Thompson.

At this time there were no settlers in the eastern part of the plantation, south of the present limits of Brownfield. If we suppose a line drawn from the Ossipee river due north, to the south line of Brownfield, and about one mile east of our Town House, all the permanent settlers then resided west of it. The first school district embraced the families in the southern part, the second, those in the middle, and the third, the families in the northern part. At the previous annual meeting, April 4th, it was voted to raise \$200.00 for the support of schools. Thus early did our ancestors appreciate the value of our public schools. At the presidential election held at the dwelling house of John Wentworth (the only presidential election held under its plantation organization), Nov. 5, 1804, nineteen candidates for electors were voted for, viz.: two for electors at large (James Sullivan, then of Boston, and Elbridge Gerry of Cambridge); thirteen for that number of congressional districts in Massachusetts, and four for the Maine districts, to wit: Cumberland county forming one, York county, one, Kennebec, Hancock and Washington, one, and Lincoln, one. From the first Maine district (Cumberland county), Charles Turner of Turner was the candidate; from the second district, John Woodman of Buxton; from the third, Thomas Fillebrown of Hallowell; and from the fourth, John Farley of Newcastle. Each candidate received thirty-seven votes, except Farley, who had thirty-six. These nineteen candidates having been chosen, voted for Jefferson for President and George Clinton for

vice-President. In the record of a meeting, April 1, 1805, this contract is stated: "The collector, William Boynton, agreed to collect the taxes for 19½ cents upon every three dollars and 33 cents, i.e., for 19½ cents per pound, New England currency. The change from pounds, shillings and pence, to dollars, cents and mills, was to many an undesirable innovation. The proposed Metric System of weights and measures is destined to meet a more formidable opposition. At a meeting, Aug. 5, 1805, it was voted "to have the plantation of Porterfield incorporated" [as a town], "and to have it called Denmark." The town of Denmark was not incorporated until 1807.

At the last annual plantation meeting, held April 7, 1806, James Sullivan had forty-two votes for governor, and Caleb Strong, one. On the same day it was "voted to allow Hanson Libby \$1.50 for his services as treasurer the past year, and Samuel Wentworth 82 cents for his services as plantation clerk."

INCIDENTS OF THE TIMES.

In one respect, the period of our town's settlement was fortunate. The question of supremacy as between England and France had been settled by Gen. Wolfe, on the plains of Abraham, in 1759. The Indians under Paugus, in 1725, had been driven by Capt. Lovell and his valiant band, from their hunting grounds on the Saco and Ossipee, and the power of the more distant tribes, that had devastated so many New England settlements, was utterly broken. But if martial prowess was not then needed, other manly virtues were, and in these our early settlers were not wanting. It is true, they were generally poor, but they were hardy, energetic, self-reliant and honest. On their arrival, the first labor for

them was a combat with the giants of the forest. Many of them were experts in such a contest.

“Deep echoing groaned the thickets brown,
Then rustling, crackling, crashing, thundered down.”

His acre per day was not then, as now, a feat for the axeman to boast of. A clearing made, shelter for himself and family must next engage his energies. Although the forests afforded abundant timber, no friendly sawmill was at hand to cut it into boards. These had to be transported on a drag made for the purpose, from a distant town, over a road, of which the construction and repairs consisted mostly in spotting the trees for the guidance of the teamster. At length industry and perseverance conquer. A dwelling deemed comfortable, if not elegant, is ready for the family. The walls of the house, first occupied by my father, were made of nicely hewn pine timber, locked together at the corners. The house was of sufficient size for three rooms below. Above stairs were the dormitories for the bairns and occasional lodgers, but “the spare-bed” occupied a more desirable situation below. The fire-place and lower part of the chimney were built of carefully selected stone, and the continuation sky-ward was constructed of sticks and clay mortar. This house was occupied as a dwelling until 1809, and afterward as a workshop, until about 1830, when it was torn down. At first a rude hovel was all that could be afforded for the shelter of gentle “Brindle” and her associates.

Clearing up the forest and building rude dwellings were not all that was required of the pioneer. His increasing family must be fed, clothed and educated to the extent of his means, and all was to be done, not by the use of ready capital, but by his own untiring industry. The soil is hard and rugged, his implements of husbandry are rude, his flocks are assailed and diminished by the prowling wolf and bear,

and his harvested grain must be sent to a distant town (Saco), to prepare it for the skillful hands of the ever-busy housewife. If he is so fortunate as to have a surplus of farm products, they are to be transported to a distant market, over an almost impassable road intercepted by streams unbridged, over rocky hills, and through muddy swamps, and when the tedious journey is accomplished, he finds but a pittance remaining for the wants of his family. His children for years have no teacher but the parent, and when at length a change for the better comes, one school, supported by contribution, suffices for an extended settlement. By and by, "in revolving years," the first step in the true path is taken, and the full sum of two hundred dollars is raised by taxation for the support of the district school.

Among the recreations of that early period, hunting was a favorite pastime. The black bear and deer were quite plenty, but the noble moose and the cowardly wolf were only occasional visitors. Owing to his fondness for the settlers' flocks, the bear was selected by all the best hunters as a fit subject for their finest skill. Meshach Libby, being on a tour of observation, came in sight of one honestly taking his dinner in the boughs of an oak, while an agile deer was quietly helping herself to the fallen acorns that chanced to escape the jaws of her clumsy companion above. Mr. Libby looked kindly on the game under the tree, but to the destroyer of his gentle flocks no mercy was due. Down tumbles bruin, not in the embraces of death, as Mr. Libby had fondly hoped and expected, but little hurt and undaunted by the noise of gunpowder or the presence of man, and ready for the tug of war,—war aggressive to the fullest extent of his powers. Mr. Libby at once sought a large tree near by, hoping that its branches might afford some means of escape, but with bruin in such hot pursuit climbing was out of the question. After many turns about the tree, and having the

advantage of "the inside track," Mr. Libby had a little time to take breath and, perhaps, to reflect upon the situation. However this may have been, he did recollect that his gun, like Chamberlain's in the fight with Paugus, was self-priming. Acting on this suggestion, but at the same time briskly keeping up his flight around the tree, he pours the powder from the ready horn, drops the ball in its place, strikes the breech with his hand, turns suddenly, and his pursuer is stretched on the race course in the agonies of death.

As an incident of the times, it may not be out of place, in this connection, to mention another encounter of like kind. A hunter from Parsonsfield, by the name of Kezar, occasionally visited the old hunting grounds of the Pequawkets, in pursuit of his favorite game, the surly monarch of these forests. Ordinarily, the black bear is a cowardly brute, and rarely exhibits any traits of bravery, but let the family circle be suddenly invaded, the latent ferocity of the mother is at once aroused to the highest pitch of frenzy. Kezar, in one of his excursions near the base of Rattlesnake mountain, unexpectedly found himself confronted by this ferocious animal, and almost in her ugly embraces, before he was aware of her presence. No time was allowed him for retreat or preparation. Unfortunately it was lunch time, and his gun could not at once be grasped. She, erect as himself and with distended jaws, rushed upon him. In a moment a daring thought occurred to him and was instantly acted upon. His hunting knife was thrust through the open jaws into her throat. Human prowess, guided by intelligence, triumphed, but Mr. Kezar's lacerated and bleeding arm showed how dearly bought was the victory.

Generally, no personal danger was apprehended by the settler from any and all of the hairy denizens of the forest, but not so as to the reptile tribe. The rattlesnake had made a lodgment here, and the life of every person was in jeop-

ardy who might inadvertently set foot upon, or otherwise molest, one. Many of these reptiles were killed in all parts of the plantation, but a large number seemed to seek their winter quarters in the ledges of the hill east of the upper Spectacle pond and in the ledges of the hill known as Rattlesnake mountain. At a certain time in the fall and spring they were much more plenty in the vicinity of these hills than elsewhere. In the spring of 1820 Oliver Stacy and a neighbor killed eleven in about one hour on Rattlesnake mountain.

Although so numerous and their bite generally fatal, no one within the limits of the town was ever materially injured by them. Ivory Merifield, perhaps a half century ago, was bitten upon the finger, but he, doubtless, saved his life by immediate and long continued suction of the wound. About forty years since, a large one crawled into the entry of a school-house in the western part of the town. While the only door to the school-room was thus guarded, the teacher by chance discovered her unwelcome visitor, and having helped one of her scholars out of a window, a neighbor at once came to the rescue. This species of reptiles seems now to be extinct in this town, none having been seen, to my knowledge, for many years.

THE COLD FRIDAY.

Friday, Jan. 19, 1810, has been justly called "The Cold Friday." A citizen of this county wrote in his diary of that date: "The Cold Friday. Last evening the weather was mild, but in the night the wind arose and blew terribly." Houses and barns were unroofed or completely demolished. The thermometer at Portland fell to 14° below zero, and in the country towns still lower. We who have never been exposed to such an atmosphere, driven onward at a velocity

of fifty or sixty miles an hour, can have no conception of its life destroying power.

A lady, who distinctly recollects that eventful day, informed me that her father, in repairing some damage done to his barn doors, had his ears and face badly frozen, although he was exposed to the cold but a few minutes at a time. To young children, and to the aged and infirm, exposure for much length of time was fatal. One family, having their house unroofed, attempted to reach a neighbor's living at the distance of about half a mile. A sleigh was obtained by the husband and father, but it was useless, the wind preventing its being of any benefit. The strong man did all that could be done, but a part only of his dear ones survived the death-blasts of that memorable day.

THE DARK DAY.

"May 19, 1780 was a dark day. The darkness began at eleven o'clock A.M. and continued until midnight, thirteen hours. It was so dark at two o'clock that a person could not be known at the distance of two rods. The night was proportionally dark." The above memorandum was made by my father, who was about twenty years of age at the time. A recent writer says: "Our parents and grand-parents told the story of that wonderful day. It never faded from the memory of the witnesses. The darkness extended over all New England. In some places it was impossible to read common print in the open air for several hours together. Birds sang their evening song, disappeared, and became silent; fowls went to roost; cattle returned to the barn-yard, and lamps were lighted in the houses." One writer, in describing the darkness of the night, says that "a sheet of white paper held within a few inches of the eyes was equally invisible with the blackest velvet." No satisfactory explanation of this event has ever been given.

THE GREAT SEPTEMBER GALE

extended over New England and a portion of New York and Pennsylvania, having commenced, it is said, in the West Indies, and in its northern course destroyed many vessels before reaching our coast. A large number of buildings in Boston and neighboring towns were unroofed or blown down. In Providence, R. I., five hundred buildings were destroyed and fifty vessels, all that were in the harbor except two, the force of the wind and water wrenching them from their fastenings and driving them, with the accumulating mass of rubbish, far up the streets of the lower part of the city. At Stonington, Ct., the tide was seventeen feet higher than usual. In this vicinity, the damage consisted mostly in unroofing houses and prostrating trees.

One of our early settlers wrote in his journal that his family fled from the house and sought shelter behind some large pine stumps that were near by, and that the forest trees in the vicinity were torn up by the acre. A neighbor of his then lived in his log cabin, but had a new framed house about ready for occupancy. The family, not fully confiding in the stability of the old or new structure, sought also a stump protection. The log cabin withstood the gale, but the new house was demolished. Our oldest citizens think the uprooting of trees was the principal damage done by the gale, in this town. We have no record of any other gale, from the settlement of the country to the present time, that will compare with this in severity, power, and extent. The time of its greatest violence was between the hours of ten and twelve on the twenty-third day of September, 1815.

THE COLD SEASON.

For many years our aged citizens spoke of the summer and fall of 1816 as the cold season. Beyond doubt, at no

time since the settlement of the town has the average temperature of the season been so low as in 1816. According to a memorandum made by the late Dea. William Wentworth of Brownfield, "it was cold and windy, with some snow, on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of June, and there was a frost on the 30th of June, 9th of July, and 22d of August." My father's corn, although planted on high land with a northern slope, was wholly destroyed by the frost in August. In the western parts of this state, corn, even partially ripened, was rarely raised by our farmers. In the eastern portions of the state, there were, on June 6th, six inches of snow upon the ground, and no corn, that year, grew there to roasting ears. In some instances rye was not injured by the frost, but the most of the farm crops were either greatly damaged or wholly destroyed by it.

In 1817, although money was scarce, corn was worth from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per bushel, and it was often difficult to obtain it with ready money at the figures named. Our citizens generally felt the pressure of these truly hard times, but the suffering of the poor, for the want of suitable food, was far greater than in any other year since the settlement of the town. One family of several persons obtained one bushel of corn, in the winter of 1816-17, and this was their sole resource for bread, until a crop of rye was harvested in August following. One of our farmers was accustomed to tell the story, that after the small berries had ripened in 1817, he directed his boys when going to their labor, to work awhile, then pick berries, and continue thus to do until night. In this way, he said, the boys did the work without grumbling. Another family were visited by a traveling preacher who had been accustomed to make his home with them while he remained in the settlement. He arrived after the usual meal time, and requested something to eat. The lady in due time set upon the table some half-grown, fried potatoes.

She did the best she could. No excuses were made by one party or fault found by the other.

UNNATURAL DEATHS.

Since the incorporation of the town, nine persons, Isaac French, George Coolbroth, James Hartford, John W. and George W. Ridlon, Samuel Stanley, Nellie Landon, David L. Ridlon, and Benjamin Downs, have lost their lives by drowning; Benjamin Pearl and Jackson T. Billings, in felling trees; David Coombs, in rolling logs into the Ossipee river; James Coolbroth, by falling from a mill dam; William Bickford, by the accidental discharge of his gun; John Stimpson, by the premature discharge of a cannon; William Brown, by falling from a frame; Samuel Brooks and Relief Libby, by being burned; Oliver Stacy, jr., and John Douglas, by being thrown from their carriages, and, July 8, 1869, Charles William Day, by lightning, the only instance of death from this cause in the town since its settlement. We have had, also, three cases of suicide and one of fratricide, the brothers having been residents and natives of York county. Since the first settlement, no unusually fatal disease has been prevalent in town.

TIMBER LANDS.

Had our fathers known the worth of our forest trees, they would have left in these a legacy far exceeding in value all other property transmitted by them to us. The white pine was everywhere abundant, and by them treated as inexhaustible and of but little account; but even during their lifetime, some trees that had, by chance, escaped the general destruction of their fellows, were bought, as they stood in the forest, by ship builders for fifty dollars each. One pine grew on the farm now owned by Gilman J. Norton, meas-

uring six feet in diameter at the height of three feet from the ground. This tree was cut down and left to decay upon the ground where it fell. Oak, both red and white, of excellent quality, was also abundant, particularly in the southern portion of the plantation.

THE FIRST CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.

The first church (Congregational), composed of members residing in the northern portion of Porterfield and in the town of Brownfield, was organized in October, 1804. The Rev. Jacob Rice from Henniker, N. H., was installed as pastor at the same time. His salary, as agreed upon, was one bushel of wheat per year from each member of his parish or other citizen who might be able and disposed to contribute to his support. He continued his ministerial labors here until his decease, Feb. 1, 1824, at the age of eighty-three years. For more than fourscore years his health had been unusually good. Upon that Sabbath morning, while preaching in a school-house, the church of the times, he suddenly faltered, and in a few hours passed from his terrestrial to his celestial home. Mr. Rice was a graduate of Harvard college, a good man and acceptable preacher.

A Baptist church was formed in the southern part of the plantation in 1806 or 1807, during the missionary labors of the Rev. Lemuel Rich of Machias. No record of this church has been preserved, but the following named persons were members at the time of its formation or soon after: David Moulton and wife Dorothy, Meshach Libby, Daniel Knowles and wife Mary, Charles Nutter, Simeon Libby and wife Hannah, Mary Libby, wife of Stephen, James Libby, John Libby, Misses Mary, Jemima, and Sally Libby, Tryphene Mason, wife of John, Miss Nancy Elkins, Jemima Fox, wife of Elijah, Deborah Fox, wife of John, Miss Deb-

orah Fox, Olive Fox, wife of Edward, and Miss Abigail Fox. They had no settled minister, but were frequently visited by the pastors of other churches. Among this number were the Revs. Mr. Rich, Mr. Locke of Hollis, and Mr. Kinsman of Limerick. Their meetings were well attended and had a salutary influence upon society.

A Free Will Baptist church was also early formed in this part of the plantation by Elder John Buzzell of Parsonsfield. The following are the names of some of its members at or about the time of its formation: William French and wife Kezia, John French and wife Sally, Jacob French and wife Mary, William Stanley and wife Susan, Bethany, wife of Samuel Hodsdon, Joseph Stanley and wife Eunice, Ruth, wife of John Stacy, Henry Tibbetts and wife Hannah, Misses Lucy and Betsey Brooks, Catharine, wife of Joseph Pearl, and Betsey, wife of John Mason, 2d. This church for many years was without a settled minister, but the members held their meetings upon the recurring Sabbath, and often listened to the fathers of the church, either at their own place of worship, or at North Parsonsfield. Among these were Elders Benjamin Randall, John Buzzell, Aaron Buzzell, and John Colby. The yearly meetings were held in the spacious old meeting-house at North Parsonsfield, when every neighborhood for miles around was well represented. The amount of good accomplished by this body of Christians was not lessened by the want of a gorgeous church or other tinsel gilding of modern times. The Methodist Episcopal Church here was formed at a more recent period.

P O R T E R .

IN February, 1807, "An act to incorporate a part of the Plantation of Porterfield into a town by the name of Porter," passed both branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, and was duly signed by Gov. Strong, on the twentieth day of that month. By this act the boundaries of the town are thus defined: "Beginning on the north bank of Great Ossipee river, on the line between the State of New Hampshire and the District of Maine, thence northwardly by New Hampshire line one thousand and nine hundred and seventy rods to a stake and stones; thence south eighty-three degrees east one thousand and three hundred rods to a stake and stones on the east line of the Plantation of said Porterfield; thence southwardly by said Porterfield line to Great Ossipee river; thence up in the middle of said river to New Hampshire line, the place begun at." Its southwestern corner is upon an island in the Great Ossipee river, an island unknown to fame, but of sufficient importance to be a portion of four towns, three counties, and two states of "The Great American Republic."

The southern boundary of the new town, the Great Ossipee river, is in $43^{\circ} 43'$ north latitude, its western boundary, 6° east longitude from Washington, and its distance from the Baldwin depot on the P. & O. R. R. is five miles.

TOWN RECORDS.

The first town meeting under the act of incorporation was held March 20, 1807, at the dwelling-house of James Coffin, for the purpose of choosing town officers. At this meeting James Coffin was chosen moderator; Hanson Libby, clerk; David Moulton, James Coffin, and Hezekiah Bickford, selectmen and assessors; John Stacy, treasurer; and William French, constable and collector. The next day a warrant was issued by the selectmen to the constable, requiring him "in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn the male inhabitants of said Porter, of twenty-one years of age and upward, having a freehold estate within the Commonwealth of the annual income of three pounds, or any estate to the value of sixty pounds, to meet at James Coffin's old house, on the county road, on the sixth day of April next, at ten o'clock A.M., to give in their votes for governor, lieutenant-governor, and two senators." At this meeting James Sullivan had twenty-three votes and Caleb Strong two, for governor. Levi Lincoln had twenty-one, Andrew Fernald, one, and Edward H. Robbins, one, for lieutenant-governor. For the office of senator, John Woodman had twenty-four votes, Joseph Storer twenty-three, Joseph Leland three, and Andrew Fernald two.

At the second annual town meeting, held in April, 1808, \$200 were raised to defray town expenses, \$100 for the support of schools, and \$500 in labor and materials for repair of highways. At this meeting the town officers for the preceding year presented their accounts for services. The three selectmen charged \$38.07, the clerk \$1.50, the collector \$9.20, the treasurer \$2.00; total \$50.77. In 1877, the town officers, including the overseer of the town farm, charged for their services \$583.20. An article inserted in the warrant for calling a town meeting Feb. 18, 1809, was "To see if the town will vote that all the town charges and

all the services done in and for said town, shall be paid in produce or some other article short of the money." The subject was referred to the next annual meeting, but was not then acted upon.

The first requisition for a juror from this town was made in May, 1816. On the 20th of that month William French was drawn to attend the United States court held at Portland. On the same day a vote for separation from Massachusetts was passed, yeas 46, nays none. In September following the vote was again taken, and the result was yeas 37, nays 8. This was strictly a party vote, the federalists being opposed to the measure.

From an examination of the records it appears that the town meetings were held in the house or barn of James Coffin until Nov. 2, 1812, when first a meeting was held at the school house in the first school district; and the meetings continued to be held therein, generally, until Nov. 1, 1824, when the north meeting house became the town house, and was then for the first time occupied as such. At a meeting held Sept. 20, 1819, William Towle was chosen a delegate to the convention held at Portland to draft a state constitution, and on the 6th of December following a vote was taken by the town on its ratification. The vote was thirty-six to ratify "the constitution of the new state of Maine" to one in opposition. April 5, 1824, it was voted to raise \$400.00 for the purpose of finishing the north meeting house and to secure to the town the right of holding therein its future town meetings. It was also voted at the same meeting "to give Elder James Sawyer" (then a Free Will Baptist minister) "a call to preach the gospel." A committee of five was raised "to report an agreement how the town should agree with said Sawyer." The committee reported "that the town should give him the use of the lot of land Gideon Mason lives on, and the interest of the ministe-

rial and parsonage lots of land in said town that were sold last summer, with his "giving an acquittance of his right to the land," (320 acres) "he might hold by being the first settled minister in said town." Mr. Sawyer accepted the terms. After the ministerial labors of Mr. Sawyer were finished, the town, by a resolve of the legislature, was authorized to hold in trust the fund arising from the sales of the reserved ministerial and school lands, and required to appropriate yearly its interest for the support of our public schools. In 1827, 1828, 1829, and 1830 \$3,000.00 in labor and materials were raised to build the county road from the line of Freedom to that of Hiram. Each man was allowed twelve and one-half cents per hour for himself and the same for a yoke of oxen.

During the last term of President Jackson's administration the last dollar of our national debt was paid, and a surplus remained in the United States treasury. This surplus was distributed by congress among the different states in proportion to population. Maine distributed her share among the different towns in the state in the same manner. Porter received, April 19 and May 1, 1837, \$2,174.00. At several town meetings after its reception, the surplus revenue was a theme of much discussion. Various propositions for disposing of it were submitted to our voters. Finally, April 2, 1838, it was voted "to distribute the town's proportion of the surplus revenue as soon as may be." This vote was carried into effect, and each inhabitant received \$2.07.

In the warrant to call a town meeting April 7, 1845, is the following article: "34th. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to grant licenses to retailers of ardent spirits," and at the meeting it was "voted that the selectmen grant licenses to all that may make application to them to sell spirituous liquors the year ensuing." This vote, in

connection with what is now known to be the public sentiment of the town, shows a great and beneficial change in the minds of our citizens since 1845. Should the same proposition be now submitted to our voters, not one, I think, would publicly approve of like instructions.

By more recent records it appears that the town raised by taxation, for paying soldiers' bounties during the rebellion, the sum of \$29,215.40, and for recruiting, \$798.00; total by town taxation, \$30,013.40. Under the United States internal revenue act, from Aug. 28, 1862, to Sept. 1, 1869, the taxable citizens of Porter were assessed, in consequence of the war, \$2,305.02, making a total war debt of \$32,318.42.

VOLUNTEERS.

In proportion to population, few towns have furnished more soldiers to defend our institutions and common country than Porter. Six of her residents had taken part in our long and arduous struggle for independence. The war commenced by the battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775, and closed by the treaty of Paris, Sept. 3, 1783.

For the war of 1812 Porter furnished twenty-eight volunteer soldiers, being nearly ten per cent of the whole number of persons then in town. President Madison's proclamation of war was issued (in accordance with a previous act of congress) April 19, 1812, just thirty-seven years after the battle of Lexington, and the war terminated by the treaty of Ghent, Dec. 24, 1814. The battle of New Orleans, however, was fought on the 8th of January following, the intelligence of peace not having then reached Gens. Jackson and Packenham, the American and British commanders.

For the Mexican war, commenced April 24, 1846, and closed Feb. 2, 1848, by the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, seven young men enlisted.

- To suppress the slave-holders' rebellion, commenced by a rebel attack on Fort Sumter, April 12, 1861, and closed by Lee's surrender to Gen. Grant at Appomattox Court House, April 9, 1865, eighty-one of our resident and native young men volunteered. It is a peculiar incident that the war of the revolution, that of 1812, that with Mexico, and that of 1861 commenced in April. According to the report of our late adjutant general, John L. Hodsdon, Maine furnished during the great rebellion 66,669 soldiers. Of these there died of wounds 2,805; of disease, 4,854; discharged for disability, 12,863; and missing in action, 2,041; total casualties, 22,563.

Historians, other than our own, give due credit for Maine's sacrifices in crushing the slave-holders' rebellion. But what of Maine while an appendage to Massachusetts? What her history during the French and Indian war, that of the revolution, and the war of 1812? Behold, it is all written in the book of the chronicles of Massachusetts,—Maine's history appropriated by Massachusetts! There we shall find that Maine regiments, in fact, were Massachusetts regiments in name; that Massachusetts *and* Maine won in battle, but Massachusetts alone won in honor. When Washington, in addressing and commanding a portion of his troops for their valor in turning the tide of a desperate battle in his favor, said, "God bless the Massachusetts line," he spoke not to men of Massachusetts, but to men of Maine, from our counties of York and Cumberland. A faithful history of what Maine was instrumental in accomplishing for our common country, during those many years of war's desolation, has never been written, neither will it be. Of our history we have been plundered as well as of our lands.

The whole number of men in the United States that enlisted into the Union army was, according to the president's annual message of 1872, 2,688,523. It is stated in Gree-

ley's American Conflict, vol. ii., page 759, that the number enlisted for three months was 191,985; for six months, 19,076; for nine months, 87,558; for one year, 394,959; for two years, 43,113; for three years, 1,950,792; for four years, 1,040; total, 2,688,523, and that, as many of these enlisted two or three times, while thousands deserted, it is probable that not more than 1,500,000 effectively participated in suppressing the rebellion. The same author estimates our loss of life as follows: 56,000 dying on the field of battle, 35,000 dying in hospitals of wounds, and 184,000 dying in hospitals by disease. The number dying after their discharge, by disease contracted in the service, we have no means of ascertaining.

REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS.

There is no plantation or town record of any vote for representative to the legislature before our separation from Massachusetts in 1820; although from 1810 to 1819 inclusive we were classed with other towns for the choice of representatives. The classification has been as follows: In 1810 we were classed with Denmark and Lovell; from 1811 to 1814 inclusive, with Denmark, Lovell, and Waterford; in 1815, with Denmark, Lovell, Waterford, and Fryeburg; in 1816 and 1817, with Sumner, Woodstock, Fryeburg, Hiram, and Brownfield; in 1818 and 1819, Oxford County formed one representative district; from 1820 to 1831 inclusive, with Brownfield and Hiram; from 1832 to 1841 inclusive, with Hiram; from 1842 to 1851 inclusive, with Brownfield and Hiram; from 1852 to 1861 inclusive, with Brownfield and Fryeburg; from 1862 to 1871 inclusive, with Brownfield and Fryeburg; and from 1872 to 1881 inclusive, with Brownfield, Fryeburg, and Stow.

MILLS AND BRIDGES.

One saw-mill, at least, and probably two, were built here as early as 1799. One was built at Porter village, another on the same stream not far from the Stanley or Roberts pond, called on the plantation map "Deer pond." The saw-mill of Stephen Libby was built near the site of the mill now owned by John Weeks, and was in operation as early as 1805. The first grist-mill in town, as stated by the late David Colcord, was built in 1793 by Caleb Emery, on the outlet of the Colcord pond, known on the map as "Ellenwood's pond," Mr. Ellenwood having occupied the farm on its western border. This grist-mill and one at Porter village were, doubtless, built about the same time. From the best evidence attainable, the first bridge across the Great Ossipee at Porter village was constructed between 1795 and 1800; the second in 1808; and the present covered bridge there in 1876, costing this town \$1,717.24. The first river bridge at Kezar Falls was built by subscription in 1833, and the covered bridge at the same place, in 1869, at a cost to Porter of \$1,632.15.

The population of Porterfield in 1800 was 272; of Porter in 1810, 292; in 1820, 486; in 1830, 841; in 1840, 1,133; in 1850, 1,208; in 1860, 1,240; in 1870, 1,105.

The state valuation of the town was in 1820, \$27,939; in 1830, \$36,311; in 1840, \$113,984; in 1850, \$165,198; in 1860, \$186,204; and in 1870, \$275,469.

TOWN DEBT.

Our auditors report the pecuniary standing of the town as they find it on the 20th of February. According to their report, the indebtedness of the town, aside from trust funds, was, Feb. 20, 1862, \$3,475.34; 1863, \$8,407.04; 1864, \$11,747.31; 1865, \$29,547.00; 1866, \$22,920.59; 1869,

RESIDENT SOLDIERS OF THE REVOLUTION.

Samuel Brooks, James Brown, John Fox, David Moulton, Joseph Pearl and Josiah Wood.

OF THE WAR OF 1812.

Job Bailey, William Bickford, John Brooks, Samuel Brooks, Nathaniel Cook, Nathaniel Cook, 2d, Edward Fox, Ephraim Fox, John Hays, jr., David Hodsdon, James Libby, John Libby, Jacob Mason, Francis Mathews, —— McIntire, John Moulton, John Pearl, Simeon Pearl, Diamond Pearl, Jonathan Philbrick, Perkins Philbrick, Simon Philbrick, Daniel Sargent, Samuel Stanley, Samuel Tibbetts, John Thompson, Hugh Tucker, jr., and Daniel Wentworth.

OF THE MEXICAN WAR.

Samuel Brooks, 3d, Edward Fox, George W. Kennard, George W. Pearl, James Peters, Thomas B. Peters and Jonathan Stacy.

IN MEMORIAM.

Of the resident Revolutionary soldiers named, all died in Porter.

Samuel Brooks was born in Buxton, March 19, 1761, enlisted March 14, 1777, and died in April, 1825.

James Brown was born in Virginia and died in 1851.

John Fox was born in Gilmanton, N. H., and died April 17, 1834.

David Moulton was born in Hampton, N. H., enlisted in 1778 and died Oct. 18, 1838.

Joseph Pearl was born in Rochester, N. H., and died in 1813.

Josiah Wood was born in Dracut, Mass., and died in 1844 or 1845.

In the war of 1812, Jacob Mason, the eldest son of John, was the only soldier from this town who did not return. He died of disease, Oct. 26, 1813.

In the Mexican war, Samuel Brooks, 3d, son of Thomas, died in the city of Mexico, March 19, 1848.

Edward Fox, son of Ephraim, died in Vera Cruz, Mexico, July 23, 1848.

G. Washington Pearl, son of John, died in the city of Mexico, about Dec. 3, 1847.

Jonathan Stacy, son of Oliver, having been discharged, returned home in August, 1848, and died Feb. 17, 1849, of chronic diarrhoea, contracted in the service, aged 25 years.

James and Thomas B. Peters, sons of Thomas, are supposed to have died in the service.

In the Great Rebellion, John C. Bridges, Co. G, 10th Me. Regt., died at Knoxville, Md., of diphtheria and typhoid fever, Dec. 1, 1862.

Ezra Blazo, Co. A, 20th Ill. Regt., died at St. Louis, Mo., of chronic diarrhoea, about Sept. 10, 1863.

Joseph M. Davis, Co. K, 23d Me., died on Long Island Sound, on his homeward voyage, of consumption, Jan. 7, 1863.

Randall French, Co. A, 11th Me., died at Yorktown, Va., of typhoid fever, May 29, 1862.

Ira Floyd, Co. K, 23d Me., died at Camp Grover, Md., of typhoid fever, Nov. 13, 1862.

Osgood F. Floyd, Co. C, 29th Me., died at Annapolis, Md., of typhoid fever, Aug. 9, 1864.

William W. Fox, Co. G, 10th Me., died at Harper's Ferry, Va., of typhoid fever, Oct. 30, 1862.

George Henry Fox, Co. B, 29th Me., died in U. S. General Hospital at Patterson Park, Baltimore, Md., Nov. 5,

1864, in consequence of a wound received in battle at Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 1864.

Albion P. Fox, Co. G, 7th Regt. N. H. Vols., died Mar. 31, 1865, at Wilmington, N. C., of typhoid fever.

William F. Foster, Co. G, 13th Me., was discharged at New Orleans, La., for disability, Oct. 27, 1862, and died at Porter, of chronic diarrhœa, Nov. 13, 1862.

Samuel N. Gibbs, Co. K., 18th Penn. Cavalry, was taken prisoner Oct. 10, 1863, and died in Libby prison, Va., Feb. 11, 1864, murdered by exposure and starvation.

Elias R. Gibbs, Co. K, 18th Penn. Cavalry, died in Andersonville prison, Ga., July 19, 1864, murdered as was his cousin in Libby prison, by rebel officials acting under the orders of Jeff Davis.

Randall Libby, 2d, Capt. of Co. A, 11th Me., died at Porter, May 8, 1871, of pulmonary consumption, contracted in the United States' service.

Benjamin H. Ridlon, Co. E, 9th Me., mortally wounded in the head while skirmishing at Bermuda Hundred, May 20, 1864, was sent to Fortress Monroe, and, without doubt, died there.

Oren W. Rogers, Co. I, 3d Me. was supposed to have been killed in battle at Spottsylvania Court House, Va., May 10 or 12, 1864.

Frank Robbins, Co. K, 23d Me., rendezvoused with his company at Portland, Me., returned home by the direction of the surgeon, and died of typhoid fever, Nov. 17, 1862.

Ezra Towle, Co. G, 10th Me., died Sept. 27, 1862, at Sharpsburgh, Md., in consequence of a wound received in battle.

Nelson Towle, Co. E, 9th Me., was killed in battle, Sept. 29, 1864, in the charge on battery Gilmore, near Richmond, Va. He was appointed Lieutenant by the Governor, but died before his commission reached its destination.

John F. Wiggin, Co. F, 133d Penn. Regt., died at Doug-

las Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 31, 1862, in consequence of wounds received in battle.

Isaac D. White, Co. G, 13th Me., died in 1863, at sea, on his passage from Texas to New Orleans, on board of Steamer Clinton.

James M. Wilkinson, Co. A, 11th Me., died in the hospital at Point of Rocks, of chronic diarrhoea, Sept. 2, 1864.

**SOLDIERS EITHER RESIDENTS IN, OR NATIVES OF, PORTER,
WHO WERE ENGAGED IN SUPPRESSING THE SLAVE-HOLDERS' REBELLION.**

For the materials of this chapter I am indebted to such soldiers as could be consulted, to the friends of other soldiers, and to the various reports of our late Adjt. Gen. John L. Hodsdon.

The actual merits of every soldier are not to be estimated solely by the facts herein stated. Some of them have been able to give a full and correct account of the stirring events in which they were actors, others equally meritorious, have failed in imparting information so as to do justice to themselves, or were, as soldiers, by no fault of their own, placed in positions unfavorable to an exhibition of their true character. Death, too, has precluded the rehearsal here, of much that would heighten our regard for the memory of many who went forth from us to do battle for the right.

In the short time¹ allotted me in the preparation of this chapter, I have spared no reasonable pains. Interviews with soldiers have been had, and letters written in all instances where it was supposed that facts of any value might be obtained. My exertions in this direction have been, in many cases, successful; in some, partially so, and in others a total

¹ It was not contemplated to add this chapter until after most of the previous portion of this work had been printed.

failure. Hence the result as here presented, must, by the want of better information on the part of the writer, be necessarily defective, and to a certain extent, unsatisfactory to the reader as well as to the writer.

Banks Ivory H., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. Moses N. Stanley, was mustered into the U. S. service for nine months, Sept. 29, 1862, and was mustered out of the service and discharged July 15, 1863.

Berry John, Com. A (probably), 44th Mass., was mustered into the U. S. service in August, 1862, for nine months. About Jan. 1, 1863, he was in the battle of Whitehall, N. C., where he received a severe wound in the wrist. He was shortly after discharged for the disability named.

Bickford Isaac, Com. H, 1st Regt. Me. Cavalry, Capt. Henry C. Hall, was mustered into the service Dec. 28, 1863, for three years, and was discharged Dec. 28, 1864, for disability.

Blazo Ezra, Co. A, 20th Ill.,

Capt. John S. Wolf, Col. C. C. Marsh, was mustered into the service April 19, 1861, for three years, was taken prisoner in the Britton's Lane fight, gave his parole, and was sent to St. Louis. While there he was exchanged, joined his regiment, and was in the following battles: Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, Pittsburgh Landing or Shiloh, and in all of Grant's battles at the siege of Vicksburgh. During the most of his service he was under the command of Gen. Logan. He died.*

Boston Benjamin F., Com. A, 11th Me.,

Capt. Randall Libby, was mustered into the service Oct. 12, 1863, for three years, and was in the following battles: Drury's Bluff, May 14, 15 and 16, Bermuda Hundred, from

The star () denotes that the time, place and cause of the soldier's death are stated under "In memoriam," page 52.

June 2 to June 20, Strawberry Plain, July 26, Deep Bottom, Aug. 14, Flusser's Mills, Aug. 16, Siege of Petersburgh, from Aug. 25 to Sept. 29, and several battles before Richmond, from Oct. 1, 1864 to Jan. 1, 1865. The above dates are as stated in his company memorial. In March, 1865, he was in the battle of Five Forks, and April 1 and 2 in that of Hatcher's Run, where he was wounded by a minie ball through the hand. He was discharged for the disability in Sept., 1865.

Bradeen Erastus W., Com. B, 23d Me.,

Capt. Horace C. Little, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, was appointed corporal, and mustered out July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted, and was mustered into Co. B, 29th Me., Capt. Benj. M. Redlon.

Bridges John C., Com. G, 10th Me.,

Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Sept. 18, 1862, for two years, and died.*

Brooks John M., Com. I, 12th Me.,

Capt. James M. Thompson, was mustered into the United States service March 17, 1865, for one year, and was mustered out March 17, 1866.

Cole John W., Com. F, 27th Me.,

Capt. J. Plummer, was mustered into the service Sept. 30, 1862, for nine months.

Cook Joseph B., Com. G, 10th Me.,

Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Aug. 18, 1862, for three years, was transferred to Com. B, 10th Me. Battalion, and again transferred to Com. D, 29th Me., was taken prisoner, gave his parole, and was discharged in 1865.

Coolbroth Thaddeus W., Com. G, 13th Me.,

Capt. Joshua L. Sawyer, was mustered into the service Dec. 31, 1861, for three years, re-enlisted, was mustered into the same company Feb. 29, 1864, and was transferred to

the 30th Me., Nov. 18, 1864. The 30th regiment was mustered out Aug. 20, 1865.

Coolbroth William J., Com. G, 13th Me.,
Capt. Joshua L. Sawyer, was mustered into the service Dec. 31, 1861, for three years, and was mustered out Jan. 6, 1865.

Danforth Samuel, Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. Moses N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and mustered out July 15, 1863.

Davis Joseph M., Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, was discharged for disability Jan. 5, 1863, and died of consumption on the 7th of that month.

Day Wentworth,
enlisted and was mustered into a New Hampshire regiment.

Downs Joseph,
was mustered into a New Hampshire regiment.

Durgin Henry D., Com. E, 9th Me.,
Capt. A. G. Marston, was mustered into the service Sept. 22, 1861, for three years, and was discharged for disability Jan. 2, 1863.

Duroy John B., Com. C, 9th Me.,
Capt. George W. Brown, was mustered into the service Aug. 11, 1862, for three years, was appointed an orderly by Maj. Gardiner, was slightly wounded in the battle of Morris Island, and was discharged July 24, 1865. In 1863, July 10, he was in the battle of Morris Island, S. C., July 11 and 18 in the attacks on Fort Wagner; in 1864, Feb. 20, he was in Gen. Seymour's disastrous defeat at Olustee, Fla., May 20 in the battle at Bermuda Hundred, June 1 at Cold Harbor, June 30 in front of Petersburg, Aug. 16 and 18 at Deep Bottom, Sept. 29 at Chapin's Farm, Oct. 27 at Derby Town Road; and in 1865, Jan. 15, in the assault upon and capture of Fort Fisher by Gen. Terry, a portion of the 9th Me. participating in the attack.

While in front of Pittsburgh, ten men from each company of his regiment were detailed for a particular service. Mr. Duroy was of the number. Six-tenths of them were slain, owing to their commanding officer's misapprehension of his orders.

Floyd Ira, Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and died.*

Floyd Osgood F., Com. G, 10th Me., Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Aug. 23, 1862, for three years, was transferred to Bat. 10th Me., and from 10th Bat. to Com. C, 29th Me., and died.*

Foster William F., Com. G, 13th Me., Capt. Joshua L. Sawyer, was mustered into the service Jan. 16, 1862, for three years, was discharged for disability Oct. 27, 1862, and died.*

Fox Albion P., Com. G, 7th N. H. Vols., was mustered into the service Sept. 23, 1864, and died.*

Fox Daniel J., Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was discharged July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted for one year, was mustered into Co. B, 11th Me., Capt. Chas. Sellmer. He was in the battle of Hatcher's Run, in the last Pittsburgh, and in Gen. Grant's final conflict with Lee at Appomattox Court House. His final discharge was dated June 12, 1865.

Fox David M., Com. D, 5th Me., Capt. Edward W. Thompson, was mustered into the service June 24, 1861, for three years. He re-enlisted Jan. 4, 1864, in Com. B, 1st Regt. Infantry, Veteran Vols., Capt. Charles H. Small, for three years, and was mustered out July 2, 1865. He was severely wounded in the thigh in the battle of Cold Harbor, and was wounded in the leg and back while in front of Pittsburgh. He was in the following engage-

ments: in 1861, July 21, Bull Run; in 1862, May 7, West Point, last of May, Mechanicsville, June 27, Gaines' Hill, June 28, Golding Farm, June 30, Charles City Cross Roads, Aug. 27, 2d Bull Run, Sept. 14, Crampton's Pass, Sept. 17, Antietam—under fire eighteen hours—Dec. 12 and 13, Fredericksburgh; in 1863, the first days of May, Chancellorsville, July 2 and 3, Gettysburgh, Nov. 7, Crossing of the Rappahannock, Nov. 27, Orange Grove; in 1864, from May 5 to May 12 inclusive, in the battles of the Wilderness, that near Spottsylvania Court House, and the charges on the fortifications near the Court House, June 1 at Cold Harbor, Sept. 19 at Winchester, Sept. 22 at Fisher's Hill, Oct. 19 at Cedar Creek; and in 1865, April 2, in the battle in front of Petersburg.

Fox George Henry, Com. G, 10th Me.,
Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Sept. 9, 1862, for three years, was transferred to Com. B, 29th Me., and died.*

Fox James L., Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and discharged July 15, 1863.

Fox Jonathan, 2d, Com. G, 13th Me.,
Capt. Amos G. Goodwin, was mustered into the service Dec. 31, 1861, for three years, and discharged for disability July 17, 1863.

Fox Lorenzo D., Com. D, 5th Me.,
Capt. Edward W. Thompson, was mustered into the service June 24, 1861, for three years. He was appointed Sergeant, and was mustered out July 27, 1864. He was in the following battles: in 1861, July 21, Bull Run; in 1862, May 7, West Point, last of May, Mechanicsville, June 27, Gaines' Hill, June 28, Golding Farm, June 30, Charles City Cross Roads, Aug. 27, 2d Bull Run, Sept. 14, Crampton's Pass, Sept. 17, Antietam—under fire eighteen hours—Dec. 12 and

13, Fredericksburgh ; in 1863, the first days of May, Chancellorsville, July 2 and 3, Gettysburgh, Nov. 7, Crossing of the Rappahannock, Nov. 27, Orange Grove ; in 1864, from May 5 to May 12 inclusive, the battles of the Wilderness, that near Spottsylvania Court House and the charges on the fortifications near the Court House, and June 1, Cold Harbor.

Fox William W., Com. G, 10th Me.,

Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service August 18, 1862, for two years, and died.*

John Fox who settled in Porter in 1801, was a Revolutionary soldier.. His brother Edward was one of our volunteers in the war of 1812. Ephraim Fox, a son of Edward, also volunteered in the war of 1812. Edward Fox, a son of Ephraim, was in the Mexican war, and died in Mexico. Daniel J. and David M. Fox, whose war record is given above, were the only remaining sons of Ephraim. George Henry, James L., Jonathan 2d, Lorenzo D., and William W. Fox were the only surviving sons of the late Richard Fox, who was a brother of Ephraim.

French Charles, Com. B, 2d Regt. Mass. Vols.,

Capt. Greeley S. Curtis, Col. George H. Gordon, enlisted May 11, 1861, for three years. He was under Gen. Banks in the Shenandoah Valley at the time of his retreat from Winchester, and under Gen. Pope during his disastrous retreat from Centerville, where our losses were numbered by tens of thousands. He was in the battles of Cedar Mountain, South Mountain, Antietam, and Chancellorsville, where he was taken prisoner May 3, 1863. Being sent to Richmond, he was put in Libby prison. He remained there but one week, when he was exchanged. Fortunate, indeed, it was for him that he was so soon liberated. He says that in the room where he was confined there were four hundred and twenty-five prisoners, and it was with much difficulty that they could lie down at all, or obtain any rest, upon a floor

that might be said, without much exaggeration, to be literally covered with vermin. While he was in prison he was not aware that any prisoners were shot for merely looking out of the windows, but he was told by the prisoners that such cruelty had not been uncommon, and the bullet holes through and around the windows, confirmed the truth of their statement. The prisoners were permitted to have two meals a day, if such allowances in quantity and quality can be called meals. The name of this prison originated from that of the owner. A rebel by the name of Libby built and used it as a tobacco warehouse. Into this receptacle of filth and vermin our soldiers were thrust, we might almost say in truth, heaped, so great were their numbers for the space allotted them. It is elsewhere asserted with reference to Pennsylvania soldiers that only one in six who entered this prison left it alive. Taking into account the extent to which our soldiers were deprived, not only of food, but even of air and space for their bodies, the assertion does not seem incredible. This building was not enclosed by a wall or ditch, but a strong guard of rebel soldiers, with their loaded rifles, prevented any escape, except with the greatest risk.

After Mr. French was exchanged he joined his regiment in Tennessee, and was under Gen. Sherman until the expiration of his term of service, when he was sent to Boston and discharged June 10, 1864.

French Daniel D., Com. G, 13th Me.,
Capt. Joshua L. Sawyer, was mustered into the service Dec. 31, 1861, for three years, was ordered to Ship Island, joined Gen. Banks' Red River expedition, and like many of his comrades who were exposed to the malaria of the Mississippi swamps was compelled to be under the orders of a surgeon in the hospital rather than the commands of his captain on the tented field. For a considerable time his condition remained unimproved, but at length having regained his health,

he was ordered to Washington, and thence to the Shenandoah Valley. On the march from Washington he and others from different companies, numbering in all one hundred, were detailed to guard a provision train on its way to Winchester. While passing through an obscure region of the country they were suddenly assailed by Mosby's Guerillas, and one-half of their number slain, the rest barely escaping by flight. He was discharged Jan. 6, 1865.

French Lorenzo D., Com. G, 3d N. H. Vols.,
Capt. Emmons, was mustered into the service July 25, 1861,
for three years, and discharged for disability Aug. 29, 1862.

French Randall, Com. A, 11th Me.,
Capt. W. S. Pennell, was mustered into the service Nov. 7,
1861, for three years, and died.*

French William H., Com. G, 13th Me.,
Capt. Joshua L. Sawyer, was mustered into the service Dec.
31, 1861, for three years, re-enlisted for three years, was
mustered into the same company Feb. 29, 1864, Capt. Amos
G. Goodwin, was appointed corporal by Capt. Sawyer, was
taken prisoner at Pleasant Hill, La., April 9, 1864, carried
to Camp Ford, near Tyler, Texas, and remained there a
prisoner until exchanged May 27, 1865. He was in Banks'
Red River campaign, in the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant
Hill, La., and was discharged Aug. 10, 1865.

Garland William H., Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29,
1862, for nine months, and mustered out July 15, 1863.

Gentleman Joseph O., Com. A, 11th Me.,
Capt. W. S. Pennell, was mustered into the service Nov. 7,
1861, for three years, was discharged for disability, but after-
ward re-enlisted into Com. K, 23d Me., for nine months,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, then into Com. G, 93d N. Y. State
National Guards, for 100 days, and lastly into Com. C, 194th
N. Y. Vols. for three years. He was 1st Sergeant in Com.

A, 11th Me., 2d and 1st Lieut. in Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. of Com. G, 93d N. Y., and of Com. C, 194th N. Y. He was in the battles of Williamsburg and Fair Oaks, and was discharged April 15, 1865.

Gibbs Elias R., Com. K, 18th Penn. Cavalry, enlisted in Sept., 1862, at the same time his cousin Samuel N. Gibbs enlisted, was mustered into the same company, fought in the same battles, was taken prisoner at the same time and sent to Andersonville prison, Ga., where he died.*

Gibbs Samuel N., Com. K, 18th Penn. Cavalry, enlisted in Sept, 1862. He wrote quite often to his parents, and to the information contained in his letters we are indebted for what is here stated. By these letters we learn that he arrived at the front Feb. 10, 1863. From that time up to the succeeding July his regiment was often employed in skirmishing and making reconnoissances, but when it was found that Lee was actually en route for the north, more important duties were required of them than heretofore. In August he wrote from Warrenton Junction that the Cavalry with which he served, took in the previous month 1800 prisoners, with a large number of horses and wagons, and in eleven days lost 600 men; that he and Elias Gibbs fought in all the many battles in which their regiment was engaged, and that with the exception of his own slight wound, they remained uninjured. So far he had been shielded from the more dread realities of war, but soon from his own pen came the unwelcome message that he was in Libby prison. Next, but after months of anxious doubt, the sad, though not unexpected tidings reached his friends that the merciless foe had finished, in his case, their intended work.* •

It was reported at the time in a Pennsylvania periodical that of twenty-four prisoners taken from the 18th Penn. Cavalry and put in Libby prison, four only, left there alive.

Kimball William,
was mustered into a New Hampshire regiment.

Lewis George W., Com. B, 29th Me.,
Capt. Benjamin M. Redlon, was mustered into the service
Jan. 12, 1864, for three years, was sick at Augusta, Me., for
several months, joined his regiment at Alexandria, La., but
being again disabled by sickness, was discharged in June,
1865.

Libby Randall, 2d, Com. A, 11th Me.,
enlisted for three years Sept. 26, 1861, was mustered into
the service Nov. 7, 1861, and appointed 2d Lieutenant.
May 11, 1862, while at the front, he was commissioned
Captain. He commanded Company A at the battle of Wil-
liamsburgh, at Bottom's Bridge, at Fair Oaks and Seven
Pines, participated in other severe engagements while ad-
vancing toward and crossing the Chickahominy, and in the
seven days' constant fighting, from June 26th to July 2d in-
clusive, during McClellan's retreat from the Chickahominy
to Harrison's Landing. Gen. Nagley, in an address to his
brigade, to which the 11th Maine belonged, said: "Thus is
yours the honor of having been the first to pass and the last
to leave the Chickahominy, and while you led the advance
from this memorable place near Richmond, you were the last
in the retreating column, when after seven days' constant
fighting it reached a place of security and rest at Harrison's
Landing." Subsequently the regiment proceeded to York-
town. Here the climate and severe labor induced the dis-
ease which terminated his life. He was discharged for
disability March 24, 1863, and died.*

Lord John, Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept.
29, 1862, for nine months, was appointed Sergeant, and dis-
charged July 15, 1863.

McDonald Samuel, Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29,

1862, for nine months, was appointed Corporal, and discharged July 15, 1863.

Moulton John, jr., Com. D, 2d Minn. Vols., enlisted June 17, 1861. July 5 of the same year he was appointed Sergeant, and in December following 1st Sergeant. In 1862, Jan. 1, he was commissioned 2d Lieut., May 1, 1st Lieut., and Oct. 27, Captain of the same company. In 1864, July 15, he was commissioned Major of his regiment, and in 1865, March 13, brevet Lieut. Colonel. In 1862, Jan. 19, he was in the battle of Mill Spring, Ky., during the month of May at the siege of Corinth, Miss., and Oct. 8 at the battle of Perryville, Ky.; in 1863, Sept. 19 and 20, at Chickamauga, Tenn., Nov. 25 at Mission Ridge, Tenn.; in 1864, first of May, at Buzzard Roost Gap and Tunnell Hill, Ga., May 15 at Resaca, Ga., June 27 at Kenesaw Mountain, Ga., Sept. 1 at Jonesborough, Ga.; and in 1865, March 19, at Bentonville, N. C. His department commanders were Gens. Buel, Rosecrans, Thomas, Grant, and Sherman. He was with the last named in his victorious march from Chattanooga through Georgia and the Carolinas, and was mustered out of the service July 11, 1865. He neither asked for nor received a furlough, but performed his duty as a soldier every day during the entire period of his enlistment.

Norton Moses F., Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and discharged Dec. 2, 1862.

Norton William G., Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was mustered out July 15, 1863.

Pearl Isaac, Com. K, 23d Me., Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, was appointed Corporal, and mustered out July 15, 1863.

Pearl Joshua R., Com. F, 50th Mass., Capt. S. W. Duncan, was mustered into the service in Sept.,

1862, for nine months, was in the two general assaults upon Port Hudson, May 27 and June 14, 1863, and was mustered out at the expiration of his term of service.

Peters Oliver T., Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was discharged July 15, 1863.

Pugsley Jeremiah, Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and discharged July 15, 1863.

Ridlon Benjamin H., Com. E, 9th Me.,
Capt. Josiah C. Beal, was mustered into the service Jan. 1, 1864, for three years, was severely wounded in the head May 20, 1864, and died.*

Ridlon George F., Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Oct. 13, 1862, for nine months, and discharged July 15, 1863.

Ridlon George W., Com. I, 3d Me.,
Lieut. Hall commanding, was mustered into the service July 17, 1863, for three years, and in about one year after, transferred to Com. E, 17th Me., Capt. Charles C. Cole; was again transferred in June, 1865, to Com. E, 1st Me. Heavy Artillery, Capt. P. A. Gatchell, and by him was appointed Corporal. He was in the battle of Strawberry Hill, where he was slightly wounded, in that of Mine Run, in Gen. Grant's many battles of the Wilderness, including that at Spottsylvania Court House, etc., in the battle of Stony Brook, and in the attacks on the Weldon R. R. and Petersburg. He was discharged Sept. 11, 1865.

Ridlon Joseph S., Com. B, 29th Me.,
Capt. Benjamin M. Ridlon, was mustered into the service Jan. 28, 1864, for three years, and was discharged Oct. 5, 1865. He was in the battles of Sabine Cross Roads or Mansfield, Pleasant Hill, Cane River Crossing, Winchester, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek.

Ridlon William, Com. H, 27th Me.,
Capt. Henry F. Snow, was mustered into the service Sept. 30, 1862, for nine months, and was mustered out July 17, 1863. A portion of his regiment, however, was mustered out in June, at the expiration of their nine months' service. At this time Gen. Lee was rapidly advancing toward Pennsylvania, and throughout the country the greatest anxiety was felt not only for Washington, Philadelphia, and other northern cities, but even for the Republic itself. At this juncture the President and Secretary of war appealed to the men of those regiments whose terms of service were about expiring, to remain and aid their brothers in arms to stay and drive back these minions of slavery with their perjured leader. So far as three hundred and fifteen men of the 27th were concerned, the appeal was not in vain. That number, and Porter had her representative among them, remained until the battle of Gettysburgh had been fought, and Lee driven from the soil of Pennsylvania. The almost certainty of a desperate and deadly encounter in the near future, was theirs to consider, yet these patriot heroes did not quail in view of such a prospect. These were mustered out July 17, 1863, the remainder of the regiment having left for their homes in June.

Robbins Frank, Com. K, 23d Me.,
Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and died.*

Rogers Oren W., Com. I, 3d Me.,
Lieut. Hall commanding, was mustered into the service July 17, 1863, for three years. He was in the battle of Strawberry Hill, that of Mine Run, in Grant's battles in the Wilderness, and, up to the time of his death, in the battle near Spottsylvania Court House.*

Rounds William, Com. I, 8th N. H. Vols.,
Capt. Colby, was mustered into the service of the U. S.

Nov. 1, 1861, for three years. He re-enlisted for three years, was mustered in, Jan. 4, 1864, and was discharged Oct. 28, 1865. Upon his discharge it is certified that he was in the following battles: in 1862, Oct. 27, Georgia Landing; in 1863, April 12 and 13, Camp Bisland; May 27, Port Hudson; June 14, Port Hudson; and in 1864, April 8, Sabine Cross Roads; April 23, Cane River; May 17, Moreanville; and May 18, Yellow Bayou.

Sawyer Henry H., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the U. S. service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months and discharged July 15, 1863.

Sawyer Isaac B., Com. D, 6th N. H. Vols.,

Capt. Samuel D. Quarles, enlisted Oct. 26, 1861, for three years, was in Gen. Burnside's expedition to Roanoke Island, in the battle at Camden, N. C., and in the second Bull Run engagement, in the last of which he was taken prisoner. He was carried to Gainsville, gave his parole, was in a short time exchanged, and was discharged for disability Feb. 17, 1863.

Sawyer Sewell S., Com. H, 171st Penn.,

Capt. John Bierer, was mustered into the service Oct. 24, 1862, for nine months, was in the battle of Blount's Creek in the spring of 1863, and was discharged Aug. 8, 1863. He re-enlisted Mar. 27, 1865, for one year, in Com. A, 88th Penn., Capt. Daniel W. May, was appointed Corporal by Capt. May, and was discharged June 30, 1865.

Smith George H., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was mustered out July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted into Com. C, 29th Me., for three years, was mustered in, Jan. 29, 1864, and continued in this company until July 18, 1865.

Stacy Lorenzo D., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was orderly Sergt. until Feb. 11, 1863, when he was promoted to a 2d Lieutenancy. After his term in the 23d expired, he re-enlisted in Com. B, 29th Me., for three years, of which company he was appointed Jan. 4, 1864, 2d Lieutenant. Subsequently he was appointed 1st Lieutenant of Com. F, but was not mustered in, on account of the small number of men remaining in that company. In the month of March, 1865, he was commissioned 1st Lieut. by brevet, and later in the month, Captain. For some considerable time, and at various stations he held the offices of Provost Marshal and Provost Judge, was for a time in command of Fort Russell at Hilton Head, was in the Red River expedition under Gen. Banks, and in the Shenandoah Valley under Gen. Sheridan. He was in the battles of Snaggy Point and Mansura Plains, La., at Opequan, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek, Va., and was mustered out of the service at Hilton Head, S. C., June 21, 1866.

Stacy Oliver, jr., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and discharged July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted in Com. F, Coast Guards, Jan. 6, 1865, Capt. Charles H. Conant, and was discharged July 7, 1865.

Stanley Moses N.,

was commissioned Captain of Com. K, 23d Me., was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, and was mustered out July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted and was mustered into Com. B, 29th Me., Jan. 12, 1864, was commissioned and mustered into Com. C, 29th Me., as 1st Lieut., Jan. 15. 1864, and discharged for disability Oct. 25, 1864.

Stanley Samuel 2d, Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months. He was appointed Corporal and after-

ward Sergeant of his company. He was discharged July 15, 1863.

Stanley William S., Com. G, 10th Me., Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Aug. 25, 1862, for three years, was transferred to Bat. 10th Me., and from 10th Bat. to Com. C, 29th Me., was in the battles of Antietam and South Mountain, Md., Chancellorsville, Va., and Gettysburgh, Penn. He was discharged in June, 1865.

Stewart Samuel, Com. B, 1st Regt. Me. Cavalry, Capt. Jacob B. Loring, was mustered into the service Dec. 23, 1863. His company was mustered out Aug. 1, 1865.

Storer John, Com. F, 8th Me., Capt. Albert R. Willis, was mustered into the service Sept. 24, 1864, and discharged in 1865.

Tibbetts Henry C., Com. H, 2d Regt. Minn. Vols., Nelson W. Dickinson, Com. Commander, was mustered into the service July 15, 1861, was discharged, re-enlisted into the same company Dec. 20, 1863, for three years, John R. Beatty, Com. Commander, was in the battles of Mill Spring, Ky., Chickamauga, Tenn., Perryville, Ky., and Mission Ridge, Tenn., was under Gen. Sherman in his march from Chattanooga, through Georgia and the Carolinas, and was mustered out of the service July 25, 1865.

Towle Ezra, Com. G, 10th Me., Capt. Jonathan Blake, was mustered into the service Aug. 18, 1862, for two years, and was at the battle of Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862, where he was mortally wounded. He died.*

Towle Nelson, Com. E, 9th Me., Capt. Edwin W. Wedgwood, was mustered into the service Sept. 22, 1861, for three years, re-enlisted, and Jan. 1, 1864, was mustered into the same company for three years, Capt. Josiah C. Beal. He was appointed Sergeant Sept. 22, 1861, and Orderly Sergeant in June, 1862. In 1861, Nov. 7, he was in the battle at Hilton Head, S. C.; in 1862, March 4,

at Fernandina, Fla.; in 1863, July 10, at Morris Island, S. C., July 11 and 18 and Sept. 7, was in the assaults upon Fort Wagner, S. C.; in 1864, May 7, in the battle of Green Plain, Va., May 16, at Drury's Bluff, Va., May 18, 20, and 23, and Aug. 25, at Hatcher's Run, June 1 and 2, at Cold Harbor, Va., June 15, at Petersburgh Heights, June 30, was in the attack on the enemy's fortifications near the same city, July 30, he was with the party assaulting Cemetery Hill, Va., Aug. 16 and 17, in the battle at Deep Run, and Sept. 29, in the assault on Fort Gilmore, where our forces were repulsed, and he was slain.*

Towle Wellington, Com. E, 9th Me.,

Capt. Edwin W. Wedgwood, was mustered into the service Sept. 22, 1861, for three years, re-enlisted, and was mustered into the same company Jan. 1, 1864, for three years, Capt. Josiah C. Beal. He was appointed Corporal in Sept., 1861, and Sergeant in Sept., 1864. Nov. 7, 1861, he was in the battle at Hilton Head, S. C.; in 1862, March 4, at Fernandina, Fla.; in 1863, July 10, at Morris Island, S. C.; July 11 and 18, and Sept. 7, was in the assaults upon Fort Wagner, S. C.; in 1864, May 7, in the battle of Green Plain, Va., May 16, at Drury's Bluff, Va., May 18, 20, and 23, and Aug. 25, at Hatcher's Run, and June 1 and 2, at Cold Harbor, Va., where he was wounded, losing his right thumb by a rebel bullet. He was discharged July 20, 1865.

The attack of July 18 on Fort Wagner was one of the terrible realities of war. Patriot and rebel fought with the utmost determination, and for the numbers engaged the carnage was truly awful.

Towle William G., Com. H, 1st Me. Cavalry,

Capt. A. M. Benson, was mustered into the service Feb. 9, 1864, for three years, was appointed Corporal in July following, and was three times wounded. The first wound received was made by a grape shot, during the charge on the

iron bridge over the Roanoke river, and the others were severe gun shot wounds received in the battle at Boydton Plank Road. He was under Wilson in his unsuccessful attempts to capture the Weldon railroad, was at the storming of three forts, at the battles at Hatcher's Run and Stony Creek, and in the successful attempts to capture the Weldon railroad, making thirteen engagements. He was under Sheridan in his last encounter with the rebels, and saw the surrender of R. E. Lee at Appomattox Court-house April 9, 1865. He was discharged Aug. 9, 1865.

Varney David, Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and discharged July 15, 1863.

Varney Edward K., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was discharged July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted for one year, was mustered into Com. H, 9th Me., Capt. Stephen C. H. Smith, Oct. 6, 1864, and was discharged in Sept., 1865.

Weeks William S., Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, was discharged July 15, 1863, re-enlisted, was mustered into Com. F, Coast Guards, Capt. Charles H. Conant, and was discharged July 7, 1865.

White Isaac D., Com. G, 13th Me.,

Capt. Amos G. Goodwin, was mustered into the service Dec. 31, 1861, for three years, and died.*

Wiggin John F., Com. F, 133d Regt. Penn.,

was mustered into the service in the spring of 1862, was mortally wounded at the battle of Fredericksburgh, and died two weeks after at Washington, D. C.*

Wilkinson James M., Com. A, 11th Me.,

Capt. Randall Libby, was mustered into the service Oct. 12,

1863, for three years, and was in the following battles in 1864: Drury's Bluff, May 14, 15, and 16, Bermuda Hundred from June 2 to June 20, Strawberry Plain July 26, Deep Bottom Aug. 14, and Flusser's Mills Aug. 16. He died in the hospital at Point of Rocks, of chronic diarrhoea, Sept. 2, 1864.

Wormwood Darius, Com. K, 23d Me.,

Capt. M. N. Stanley, was mustered into the service Sept. 29, 1862, for nine months, and was discharged July 15, 1863. He re-enlisted in Com. F, Coast Guards, was mustered in, Jan. 6, 1865, Capt. Charles H. Conant, and was discharged July 7, 1865.

Of these eighty-one soldiers, seventy-eight belonged to Maine regiments; two to 3d Infantry, two to 5th, one to 8th, six to 9th, seven to 10th, six to 11th, one to 12th, seven to 13th, one to 17th, twenty-eight to 23d, two to 27th, ten to 29th, one to 1st Veteran Infantry, three to 1st Cavalry, and one to 1st Heavy Artillery.

Cook David W., Downs Elias, Durgin Samuel, Merifield Luther P., and Merifield Moses B. enlisted as Coast Guards only. They were mustered into Com. F, Capt. Charles H. Conant, Jan. 6, 1865, and were discharged July 7, 1865.

PLANTATION AND TOWN OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE LEGISLATURE.

Dates denote years of service.

<i>Town Clerks.</i>	<i>Selectmen and Assessors.</i>	<i>Treasurers.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
1827 Hanson Libby.	Samuel Taylor, David Colcord, Joseph H. Gilman.	John Roberts.	Daniel Bean, Brownfield.
1828 James Sawyer.	Samuel Taylor, Oliver Stacy, Ezra Gibbs, jr.	William French.	John Warren, Hiram.
1829 James Sawyer.	John Stacy, Oliver Stacy, James French, 2d.	Benjamin French.	James Sawyer, Porter.
1830 David Colcord.	Samuel Taylor, Ezra Gibbs, jr., Eben, Blazo, jr.	Benjamin French.	Joseph Howard, Brownfield.
1831 David Colcord.	Samuel Taylor, Ezra Gibbs, Jr., Eben, Blazo, Jr.	Benjamin French.	Alpheus Spring, Hiram.
1832 Samuel Taylor.	Eben, Blazo, Jr., Oliver Stacy, Benjamin French.	Benjamin French.	James Sawyer, Porter.
1833 William T. Taylor.	Eben, Blazo, Jr., Oliver Stacy, Benjamin French.	Benjamin French.	Alpheus Spring, Hiram.
1834 William T. Taylor.	Eben, Blazo, Jr., Oliver Stacy, Henry Mason.	Samuel Taylor.	James Sawyer, Porter.
1835 William T. Taylor.	Jordan Stacy, Benjamin French, James French, 2d.	Samuel Taylor.	Levi A. Hanniford, Hiram.
1836 William T. Taylor.	Jordan Stacy, Benjamin French, Henry Mason.	Eben Blazo, Jr.	Samuel Taylor, Porter.
1837 William T. Taylor.	Jordan Stacy, James French, 2d, Henry Mason.	Benjamin French.	Isaac Hamlin, Hiram.
1838 William T. Taylor.	Jordan Stacy, James French, 2d, Henry Mason.	Benjamin French.	Samuel Taylor, Porter.
1839 John Higgins.	Francis L. Rice, James Heard, Jacob Braden.	Samuel Taylor, Jr.	John Kimball, Hiram.
1840 John Higgins.	Francis L. Rice, James Heard, Jacob Braden.	Samuel Taylor, Jr.	John Higgins, Porter.
1841 John Higgins.	William T. Taylor, Ira C. Chase, John Mason, jr.	Benjamin French.	John Kimball, Hiram.
1842 John Higgins.	William T. Taylor, Ira C. Chase, John Mason, jr.	Benjamin French.	Nathaniel Warren, Hiram.
1843 Joseph F. Heard.	Wm. T. Taylor, Neh. F. Towle, Stillman McCarteree.	George Stacy.	John Higgins, Porter.
1844 Joseph F. Heard.	George Stacy, Neh. F. Towle, Stillman McCarteree.	Benjamin French.	Ichabod Warren, Brownfield.
1845 Ira C. Chase.	George Stacy, Joshua S. Roberts, Meshach Pike.	Eben, Blazo.	Jeremiah Dow, Hiram.
1846 John M. Libby.	David Colcord, Meshach Pike, Jordan Stacy.	James French.	William T. Taylor, Porter.
1847 John M. Libby.	David Colcord, Meshach Pike, Jordan Stacy.	James French.	Henry H. Miller, Brownfield.
1848 John M. Libby.	James Feard, Jordan Stacy, Thomas E. Fox.	Daniel Towle, jr.	Allen Hubbard, Hiram.
1849 David Colcord.	Jordan Stacy, Edward Gibbs, David Lord.	Joseph Stanley.	Henry Mason, Porter.
1850 Henry M. Libby.	Wm. T. Taylor, Isaac Libby, Richard W. Braden.	Eben, Blazo.	Joshua Quint, Brownfield.
1851 Henry M. Libby.	Wm. T. Taylor, Isaac Libby, Richard W. Braden.	Walter F. Watson, Hiram.	Thomas Moulton.
1852 Henry M. Libby.	Eben, Blazo, Thomas E. Fox, John Stanley.	W. F. Watson (held over).	Ira C. Chase, Porter.
1853 Henry M. Libby.	George Stacy, Isaac Stanley, John Stanley.	Tobias Libby, Jr.	Paris Gibson, Brownfield.
1854 Aaron H. Mason.	George Stacy, Isaac Stanley, A. D. Roberts.	William Stanley.	Nathaniel Charles, Fryeburg.
1855 Aaron H. Mason.	David Colcord, Tobias Libby, Jr., A. D. Roberts.	Tobias Libby, Jr.	Sam'l L. Chandler, Fryeburg.
1856 James French, jr.	David Colcord, Tobias Libby, Jr., Joseph Stanley, 2d.	William Stanley.	Thomas Moulton, Porter.
1857 James French, jr.	Tobias Libby, Jr., Jos. Stanley, 2d, Aaron H. Mason.	George Stacy.	Eliz B. Bean, Brownfield.
1858 Thomas Moulton.	Edward Gibbs, John Stanley, David Lord.		

1859	Moses S. Moulton.	Edward Gibbs, Thomas E. Fox, Joseph H. Stanley, Benjamin French.	Geo. B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
1860	James French, jr.	Edgar A. Neal, Thomas E. Fox, Joseph H. Stanley, Benjamin French.	George G. Stacy, Porter.
1861	James French, Jr.	Edgar A. Neal, Jas. Pearl, 2d, Washington Colcord.	Daniel Goodwin, Brownfield.
1862	Amos Blazo.	Edward Gibbs, David Lord, George W. Towle.	Geo. B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
1863	Wm. F. Gentleman.	David Colcord, Joseph H. Stanley.	Nehemiah F. Towle.
1864	Randal Libby.	Eben Blazo, Jordan Stacy, 2d, William B. Davis.	Oliver Stacy, Porter.
1865	Randal Libby.	Eben Blazo, Jordan Stacy, 2d, Geo. W. Osgood.	Isaac Spring, Brownfield.
1866	Jordan Stacy, 2d.	Eben Blazo, David Lord, Joel T. Libby.	Jas. M. Howe, Jr., Fryeburg.
1867	William Ridlon, Jr.	Moses S. Moulton, Jas French, jr.	Enoch C. Farrington, Frye's.
1868	William Ridlon, Jr.	Moses S. Moulton, Jordan Stacy, 2d, Chas. B. Davis.	David Lord, Porter.
1869	William Ridlon, Jr.	Moses S. Moulton, Wm. T. Sawyer, Jordan Stacy, 2d.	Samuel Tyler, Brownfield.
1870	Gilman A. Norton.	Moses S. Moulton, Jordan Stacy, 2d, Wm. T. Sawyer.	Enoch C. Farrington, Frye's.
1871	Warren Libby.	Moses S. Moulton, Geo. W. Towle, Joseph Stanley.	Moses S. Moulton, Porter.
1872	Gilman A. Norton.	Moses S. Moulton, Geo. W. Towle, Joseph Stanley.	Nath'l Hill, Jr., Brownfield.
1873	Gilman A. Norton.	Geo. W. Towle, Jordan Stacy, 2d, Aaron H. Mason.	Isaac A. Walker, Stow.
1874	Francis W. Redlon.	Geo. W. Towle, Jordan Stacy, 2d, Aaron H. Mason.	John Locke, Fryeburg.
1875	Francis W. Redlon.	Geo. W. Towle, Samuel Ridlon, jr., Warren Libby.	Moses S. Moulton, Porter.
1876	Francis W. Redlon.	Geo. W. Towle, Gilman A. Norton, Warren Libby.	Sylvester S. Harris, Brownfield.
1877	Roscoe G. Heard.	G. W. Towle, Warren Libby, Lindley W. Pendexter.	Henry D. Hutchins, Fryeburg.
1878	Roscoe G. Heard.	Warren Libby, L. W. Pendexter (d.), Jos. Stanley.	Roscoe G. Heard, Porter.
1879	William Chapman.	Warren Libby, Roscoe G. Heard, Joseph Stanley.	D. D. Meserve, Brownfield.
			E. C. Farrington, Fryeburg.

PRESIDENTS AND VICE-PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Washington was inaugurated President in New York City, John Adams in Philadelphia, and Jefferson in Washington; the last-named city becoming the capital in 1800. The President, as well as the Vice-president, is elected for the period of four years, the day of inauguration for the full term being March 4, and that of retiring being March 3.

Abbreviations—*r.*, resigned; *f.v.*, filled vacancy; *d.*, died.

Presidents.	Born.	Inaugurated.	Died.	Vice-presidents.
George Washington, Va. John Adams, Mass.	Feb. 22, 1732 Oct. 19, 1735	1789	Dec. 14, 1799	John Adams, Mass.
Thomas Jefferson, Va. James Madison, Va.	April 2, 1743 Mar. 16, 1751	1797 1801 1809	July 4, 1826 July 4, 1826 June 28, 1836	Thomas Jefferson, Va. Aaron Burr, N. Y. (1st term); Geo. Clinton, N. Y. (2d term); Elbridge Gerry, Mass.
James Monroe, Va. *John Q. Adams, Mass. Andrew Jackson, Tenn. Martin Van Buren, N. Y. Wm. Henry Harrison, O. (d.) John Tyler, Va. (f. v.) James K. Polk, Tenn. Zachary Taylor, La. (d.) Millard Fillmore, N. Y. (f. v.) Franklin Pierce, N. H. James Buchanan, Penn. Abraham Lincoln, Ill. (d.) Andrew Johnson, Tenn. (f. v.) Ulysses S. Grant, Ill. Rutherford B. Hayes, O.	April 28, 1768 July 11, 1767 Mar. 16, 1767 Dec. 5, 1782 Feb. 9, 1773 Mar. 29, 1790 Nov. 2, 1795 Nov. 24, 1784 Jan. 7, 1800 Nov. 23, 1804 April 13, 1791 Feb. 12, 1809 Dec. 29, 1808 April 27, 1822 Oct. 4, 1822	1817 1825 1829 1837 1841 April 4, 1841 Jan. 17, 1862 1845 1849 July 10, 1850 1853 1857 1861 April 15, 1865 1869 1877	July 4, 1831 Feb. 23, 1848 June 8, 1852 July 24, 1862 April 4, 1861 Jan. 15, 1869 June 15, 1849 July 9, 1850 Mar. 10, 1874 Oct. 8, 1869 June 1, 1868 April 15, 1865 July 31, 1875	[N. Y. (2d term)]. Daniel D. Tompkins, N. Y. John C. Calhoun, S. C. (1st term); Martin Van Buren, Richard M. Johnson, Ky., chosen by the Senate. John Tyler, Va. George M. Dallas, Penn. Millard Fillmore, N. Y. William R. King, Ala. John C. Breckinridge, Ky. Andrew Johnson, [2d term]. Henry Wilson, Mass. William A. Wheeler, N. Y.

*Chosen by the House of Representatives, there being no choice by the people.

GOVERNORS OF MASSACHUSETTS WHILE WE WERE SUBJECT TO THEIR JURISDICTION, GOVERNORS OF MAINE, AND SENATORS FOR THE OXFORD CO. DISTRICT.

President of the Senate indicated by * prefixed.

Yrs. Served.	Gov. of Mass.	Years Served.	Gov. of Mass.	Years Served.	Gov. of Mass.	Years Served.	Gov. of Mass.
1781	John Hancock.	1791	John Hancock.	1801	Caleb Strong.	1811	Elbridge Gerry.
1782	John Hancock.	1792	John Hancock.	1802	Caleb Strong.	1812	Caleb Strong.
1783	John Hancock.	1793	Samuel Adams.	1803	Caleb Strong.	1813	Caleb Strong.
1784	John Hancock.	1794	Samuel Adams.	1804	Caleb Strong.	1814	Caleb Strong.
1785	John Hancock.	1795	Samuel Adams.	1805	Caleb Strong.	1815	Caleb Strong.
1786	James Bowdoin.	1796	Samuel Adams.	1806	Caleb Strong.	1816	John Brooks.
1787	James Bowdoin.	1797	Increase Sumner.	1807	James Sullivan.	1817	John Brooks.
1788	John Hancock.	1798	Increase Sumner.	1808	Christopher Gore.	1818	John Brooks.
1789	John Hancock.	1799	Increase Sumner.	1809	Christopher Gore.	1819	John Brooks.
1790	John Hancock.	1800	Caleb Strong.	1810	Elbridge Gerry.		
State Senators.							
1820	William King.		William D. Williamson, acting.		Samuel Small, James W. Ripley.		
1821			Albion K. Parris.		Samuel Small, James W. Ripley.		
1822			Albion K. Parris.		Samuel Small, James Steele.		
1823			Albion K. Parris.		Samuel Small, James Steele.		
1824			Albion K. Parris.		Samuel Small, James Steele.		
1825			Albion K. Parris.		Cornelius Holland, James W. Ripley.		
1826			Albion K. Parris.		Cornelius Holland, Joseph Howard.		
1827			Enoch Lincoln.		John Grover, Ruel Washburn.		
1828			Enoch Lincoln.		John Grover, Ruel Washburn.		
1829			Enoch Lincoln.		George French, John Grover.		
1830			Jonathan G. Hunton.		Daniel Hutchinson, James Steele.		
1831			Samuel E. Smith.		Daniel Hutchinson, James Steele.		
1832			Samuel E. Smith.		Jarius S. Keith, Samuel Gibson.		

<i>Yrs. Served.</i>	<i>Governors of Maine.</i>	<i>State Senators.</i>
1833	Samuel E. Smith.	Jairus S. Keith, Samuel Gibson.
1834	Robert P. Dunlap.	Joseph Tobin, Daniel Brown.
1835	Robert P. Dunlap.	Joseph Tobin, Daniel Brown.
1836	Robert P. Dunlap.	Isaac Strickland, Jonathan Swift.
1837	Robert P. Dunlap.	Isaac Strickland, Jonathan Swift.
1838	Edward Kent.	Job Prince, Edward L. Osgood.
1839	John Fairfield.	*Job Prince, Edward L. Osgood.
1840	John Fairfield.	Alvan Bolster, David Hammons.
1841	Edward Kent.	Alvan Bolster, David Hammons.
1842	John Fairfield.	Gilman Bennett, Silas Barnard, Virgil D. Parris.
1843	John Fairfield (r).	*Virgil D. Parris (f.v.), John W. Dana, Lee Strickland.
1844	Hugh J. Anderson.	*John W. Dana, Lee Strickland, William Frye.
1845	Hugh J. Anderson.	William Frye, Silas Barnard, Stephen H. Chase.
1846	Hugh J. Anderson.	*Stephen H. Chase (r.), William Thompson, John J. Perry.
1847	John W. Dana.	William Thompson, John J. Perry, Caleb R. Ayer.
1848	John W. Dana.	*Caleb R. Ayer, Philo Clark, James H. Farnum.
1849	John W. Dana.	Philo Clark, James Hobbs, Jr., James H. Farnum.
1850	John Hubbard.	James Hobbs, Jr., Noah Prince, Robert A. Chapman.
1851	John Hubbard.	*Noah Prince, Robert A. Chapman, James Walker.
1852	John Hubbard.	Noah Prince, Robert A. Chapman, James Walker (held over).
1853	William G. Crosby.	James Walker, John J. Holman.
1854	William G. Crosby.	Job Prince, Hiram Hubbard.
1855	Anson P. Morrill.	Mark H. Dunnell, Timothy Walker.
1856	Samuel Wells.	O'Neil W. Robinson, Caleb P. Holland.
1857	Hannibal Hamlin, (resigned).	Enoch W. Woodbury, Almon Twitchell.
1858	Joseph H. Williams, acting.	Enoch W. Woodbury, Almon Twitchell.
1859	Lot M. Morrill.	Samuel B. Holt, Thomas Moulton.
1860	Lot M. Morrill.	Samuel B. Holt, Thomas Moulton.
1861	Israel Washburn, Jr.	John P. Hubbard, Elbridge G. Harlow.
1862	Israel Washburn, Jr.	John P. Hubbard, Elbridge G. Harlow.

1868	Abner Coburn.	George B. Barrows, Rufus S. Stevens.
1864	Samuel Cony.	*George B. Barrows, Rufus S. Stevens.
1865	Samuel Cony.	William W. Virgin, Thomas Chase.
1866	Samuel Cony.	*William W. Virgin, Thomas Chase.
1867	Joshua L. Chamberlain.	Jonas Green, John G. Hamblen.
1868	Joshua L. Chamberlain.	Jonas Green, John G. Hamblen.
1869	Joshua L. Chamberlain.	William W. Bolster, Samuel Tyler.
1870	Joshua L. Chamberlain.	*William W. Bolster, Thomas P. Cleaves.
1871	Sidney Perham.	Thomas P. Cleaves, Otis Hayford, Jr.
1872	Sidney Perham.	Otis Hayford, Jr., Enoch C. Farrington.
1873	Sidney Perham.	Enoch C. Farrington, Jonathan K. Martin.
1874	Nelson Dingley, Jr.	Jonathan K. Martin, Enoch Foster, Jr.
1875	Nelson Dingley, Jr.	Enoch Foster, Jr., John P. Swasey.
1876	Seiden Connor.	John P. Swasey, Samuel D. Wadsworth.
1877	Seiden Connor.	Samuel D. Wadsworth, James Irish.
1878	Seiden Connor.	James Irish, Moses S. Moulton.
1879	Alonzo Garcelon, ch'n by senate.	Francis W. Redlon, William W. Wait.

U. S. SENATORS, REPRESENTATIVES TO CONGRESS FROM THIS (2D) DISTRICT, AND
CABINET OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF MAINE.

By the Constitution, United States Senators, two from each State, are elected by its Legislature, and Representatives (the number from each State being in proportion to its population) are elected by the people; a full term of Senator (six years), and that of Representative (two years), commencing on the fourth of March, and ending on the third.

<i>Senators.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>	<i>Period of Office</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>	<i>Congress.</i>	<i>Period Served.</i>
John Holmes, John Chandler, Albion K. Parris (r.), John Holmes (f.v.), John Chandler, Esther Shepley (r.), Judah Dana (f.v.), Ruel Williams (f.v.), Peleg Sprague, Ruel Williams (r.), John Fairfield (f.v.), John Ruggles, John Fairfield (d.), Wyman B. S. Moor (f.v.), George Evans, Hannibal Hamlin (r.)	Alfred, Monmouth, Portland, Alfred, Monmouth, Saco, Fryeburg, Augusta, Hallowell, Augusta, Saco, Thomasston, Saco, Waterville, Hampden, Gardiner, Hampden,	1820-1827 1820-1823 1827-1828 1829-1833 1823-1829 1833-1836 1836-1837 1837-1839 1829-1835 1839-1843 1843-1845 1835-1841 1845-1847 1848-1849 1848-1851 1841-1847 1851-1857 1867 1847-1853 1857-1861 1861-1863 1854-1859 1863-1869 1869-1864	Enoch Lincoln, Enoch Lincoln (r.), James W. Ripley (f. v.), Cornelius Holland (f. v.), James W. Ripley, Cornelius Holland, Moses Mason, Moses Mason, Timothy J. Carter (d.), Virgil D. Parris (f.v.), Virgil D. Parris, Nathaniel S. Littlefield, Joshua Herrick, J. F. Scammon, David Hammons, Elbridge Gerry, Moses McDonald, Samuel Mayall, John J. Perry, Charles J. Gilman, John J. Perry, Charles W. Walton, (r.), Wm. Pitt Fessenden (r.), Portland	Paris, Paris, Paris, Fryeburg, Fryeburg, Canton, Fryeburg, Canton, Bethel, Bethel, Paris, Paris, Bridgerton, Kennebunkport Saco, Lovell, Waterford, Limerick, Gray, Oxford, Brunswick, Oxford, Auburn,	17th 18th 19th 20th 21st 22d 23d 24th 25th 26th 27th 28th 29th 30th 31st 32d 33d 34th 35th 36th 37th	1821 and 1822 1823 and 1824 1825 and 1826 1827 and 1828 1829 and 1830 1831 and 1832 1833 and 1834 1835 and 1836 1837 and 1838 1839 and 1840 1841 and 1842 1843 and 1844 1845 and 1846 1847 and 1848 1849 and 1850 1851 and 1852 1853 and 1854 1855 and 1856 1857 and 1858 1859 and 1860 1861 and 1862

Nathan A. Farwell (f.v.), Rockland,	1864-1865	T. A. D. Fessenden (f.v.),	Auburn,	38th
Hannibal Hamlin, Bangor,	1869-1875	Sidney Perham,	Paris,	39th
Wm. Pitt Fessenden (d.), Portland,	1865-1869	Sidney Perham,	Paris,	39th
Lot M. Morrill (f.v.), Augusta,	1869-1871	Sidney Perham,	Paris,	40th
Lot M. Morrill (r.), Augusta,	1871-1876	Samuel P. Morrill,	Farnington,	41st
James G. Blaine (f.v.), Augusta,	1876	William P. Frye,	Lewiston,	42d
Hannibal Hamlin, Bangor,	1876-	William P. Frye,	Lewiston,	43d
James G. Blaine, Augusta,	1877-	William P. Frye,	Lewiston,	44th
		William P. Frye,	Lewiston,	45th
		William P. Frye,	Lewiston,	46th
			Lewiston,	1878 and 1880

CABINET OFFICERS.—Henry Knox, Secretary of War; Henry Dearborn, Secretary of the Treasury; Lot M. Morrill, Secretary of the Treasury-general; William Pitt Fessenden, Secretary of the Treasury.

VOTE FOR GOVERNOR WHILE MAINE WAS A DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Dates denote the years when chosen.

1803	Caleb Strong, 42 votes.	Day of election, April 4.	1812	Caleb Strong, 6; Elbridge Gerry, 35.
1804	Caleb Strong, 5; James Sullivan, 30.		1813	Caleb Strong, 5; Joseph B. Varnum, 38.
1805	Caleb Strong, 1; James Sullivan, 32.		1814	Caleb Strong, 7; Samuel Dexter, 39.
1806	Caleb Strong, 1; James Sullivan, 42.		1815	Caleb Strong, 8; Samuel Dexter, 47.
1807	James Sullivan, 28; Caleb Strong, 2.		1816	John Brooks, 11; Samuel Dexter, 53.
1808	Christopher Gore. No record of election.		1817	John Brooks. No record of election.
1809	Chris. Gore, 7; Levi Lincoln, 23; Jos. B. Varnum, 1.		1818	John Brooks, 8; Benjamin W. Crowningshield, 42.
1810	Elbridge Gerry, 27; Christopher Gore, 7.		1819	John Brooks, 12; Benjamin W. Crowningshield, 46.
1811	Elbridge Gerry, 26; Christopher Gore, 5.			

VOTE FOR GOVERNORS OF MAINE, AND TOWN VOTE FOR REPRESENTATIVES, WHEN THE CANDIDATE CHOSEN RESIDED IN PORTER.

		State and town vote. Town vote in Parenthesis.		
1820	William King, 21,083 (65); scattering, 1,081.	Day of election, April 3.		
1821	Abion K. Parvis, 12,887 (67); Joshua Wingate, jr., 3,879; Ezekiel Whitman, 6,811 (8); scattering, 811.	second Monday in September.	Day of election,	
1822	Abion K. Parvis, 16,478 (68); Ezekiel Whitman, 6,795 (8); Joshua Wingate, jr., 755; scattering, 184.			
	Representative. William Towle, 55; James Connl, 14; John Moulton, 11; Samuel Taylor, 1.			
1823	Abion K. Parvis, 18,550 (71); scattering, 850.			
1824	Abion K. Parvis, 18,778 (65); scattering, 660.			
1825	Abion K. Parvis, 14,206 (85); scattering, 1,406.			
	Representative. William Towle, 53; John Moulton, 25; William Towle, jr., 6; Jonathan Fox, 2.			
1826	Enoch Lincoln, 20,689 (63); scattering, 374.			
1827	Enoch Lincoln, 19,969 (64); scattering, 480.			
1828	Enoch Lincoln, 25,746 (103); scattering, 246.			
	Representative. James Sawyer, 81; Joseph Moulton, 17; David Colcord, 12; John Moulton, 2.			
1829	Jonathan G. Hunton, 23,315 (23); Samuel E. Smith, 22,991 (87); scattering, 246.			
1830	Samuel E. Smith, 30,215 (120); Jonathan G. Hunton, 28,639 (26); scat., 238—James Steele (1), Dan. Hutchinson (1).			

- 1831 Samuel E. Smith, 28,292 (124); Daniel Goodenow, 21,821 (27); scattering, 106.
Representative. James Sawyer, 122; David Colcord, 25; Samuel Taylor, 1; Joseph H. Gilman, 1.
- 1832 Samuel E. Smith, 31,987 (142); Daniel Goodenow, 27,651 (23); Moses Carleton, 868; scattering, 90.
- 1833 Robt. P. Dunlap, 28,731 (117); Dan'l Goodenow, 18,112 (12); Sam'l E. Smith, 3,024 (1); Thos. A. Hill, 2,384; seat, 101 (8).
- Representative. James Sawyer, 113; David Colcord, 17; Ebenezer Blazo, 1.
- 1834 Robert P. Dunlap, 38,133 (140); Peleg Sprague, 33,732 (18); Thomas A. Hill, *Anti-Mason*, 1,076 (1); scattering, 90.
- 1835 Robert P. Dunlap, 45,208 (145); William King, 16,860 (16); scattering, 615 (1).
- Representative. Samuel Sawyer, 80; James Sawyer, 62; Ezra Gibbs, Jr., 17; David Colcord, 1.
- Robert P. Dunlap, 31,837 (131); Edward Kent, 22,703 (18); scattering, 148.
- Edward Kent, 34,358 (38); Gorham Parks, 38,879 (168); scattering, 286.
- Representative. Samuel Taylor, 108; James Sawyer, 35; David Colcord, 54; Henry Mason, 2.
- 1838 John Fairfield, 46,216 (178); Edward Kent, 42,867 (49); scattering, 486.
- 1839 John Fairfield, 41,038 (178); Edward Kent, 34,749 (40); scattering, 208.
- Representative. John Higgins, 132; Benjamin French, 45; David Colcord, 34; Oliver Stacy, 1; Phineas Colcord, 1.
- 1840 Edward Kent, 45,574 (46); John Fairfield, 45,507 (190); scattering, 98.
- John Fairfield, (r. March 7, 1843) 47,354 (184); Edward Kent, 36,790 (45); Jeremiah Curtis, *Liberty*, 1,862; scattering, 347.
- 1841 John Fairfield, 45,574 (46); John Fairfield, 45,507 (190); Jas. Appleton, *Liberty*, 4,080 (2); scatter, 100.
- Representative. John Higgins, 130; Benjamin French, 21; David Colcord, 25.
- 1842 John Fairfield, (r. March 7, 1843) 40,855 (168); Edward Robinson, 26,735 (24); Jas. Appleton, *Liberty*, 26,735 (24); scattering, 98.
- 1843 Hugh J. Anderson, 32,029 (143); Edward Robinson, 20,973 (16); James Appleton, 6,746 (2); Edward Kavanagh, 3,221; scattering, 170.
- Hugh J. Anderson, 48,942 (174); Edward Robinson, 38,501 (34); James Appleton, 6,245 (5); scattering, 165.
- Hugh J. Anderson, 34,711 (171); Freeman H. Morse, 26,341 (25); Samuel Fessenden, *Liberty*, 5,867 (2); scattering, 486.
- Representative. William T. Taylor, 119; Meshach Pike, 38; Thomas Mason, 3; David Colcord, 33; Benjamin French, 1; Edward Gibbs, 1.
- 1846 John W. Dana, 36,031 (143); David Bronson, 29,557 (34); Samuel Fessenden, 9,398 (4); scattering, 678.
- 1847 John W. Dana, 33,429 (132); David Bronson, 24,246 (26); Samuel Fessenden, 7,352 (3); scattering, 276.
- 1848 John W. Dana, 39,760 (184); Elijah L. Hamlin, 28,927 (37); Samuel Fessenden, 12,087 (4); scattering, 553 (1).
- Representative. Henry Mason, 98; Meshach Pike, 111; David Colcord, 45.
- 1849 John Hubbard, 37,636 (175); Elijah L. Hamlin, 28,056 (55); George F. Talbot, *Free Soil*, 7,987 (4); scattering, 102.
- 1850 John Hubbard, 41,203 (165); William G. Crosby, 32,120 (35); George F. Talbot, 7,267 (3); scattering, 75.
- 1851 John Hubbard continued in office till Jan., 1852, by reason of his election in 1850, the constitution having been changed.
- 1852 John Hubbard, 41,869 (139); William G. Crosby, 29,127 (37); Anson G. Chandler, *Anti-Maine Law*, 21,774 (88); Ezekiel Holmes, 1,617; scattering, 190.
- Representative. Ira C. Chase, *Dem.*, 106; Ebenezer Blazo, *Maine Law*, 112; George W. Gibbs, *Whig*, 33.

- 1853 William G. Crosby, 27,081 (28); Albert Pillsbury, 36,386 (88); Anson P. Morrill, *Maine Law*, 11,027 (88); Ezekiel Holmes, 8,986; scattering, 157.
- 1854 Anson P. Morrill, 44,565 (94); Albion K. Parrish, 28,462 (70); Isaac Reed, 14,001 (25); Shepard Cary, 3,473; scat., 127.
- 1855 Samuel Wells, 48,341 (141); Anson P. Morrill, 51,441 (85); Isaac Reed, 10,610 (17); scattering, 81.
- 1856 Hannibal Hamlin, 69,574 (123); Samuel Wells, 48,328 (138); George F. Paxton, 6,554 (7); scattering, 58.
- Representative. Thomas Moulton, 128; David Colcord, 119.
- 1857 Lot M. Morrill, 64,656 (120); Manasseh H. Smith, 42,988 (119); scattering, 255.
- 1858 Lot M. Morrill, 60,380 (125); Manasseh H. Smith, 52,440 (147); scattering, 78.
- 1859 Lot M. Morrill, 57,230 (138); Manasseh H. Smith, 46,387 (147); scattering, 35.
- Representative. George G. Stacy, 142; Tobias Libby, 129.
- 1860 Israel Washburn, Jr., 70,030 (112); Ebriaum K. Smart, 52,350 (104); Phineas Barnes, 1,735; scattering, 20.
- 1861 Israel Washburn, Jr., 58,689 (138); C. D. Jameson, *War Dem.*, 21,935 (55); John W. Dana, 19,801 (70); scattering, 78.
- 1862 Amner Coburn, 22,744 (143); Bion Bradbury, 32,108 (118); C. D. Jameson, 6,764 (1); scattering, 102.
- Representative. Oliver Stacy, 136; William T. Taylor, 121.
- 1863 Samuel Cony, 68,339 (142); Bion Bradbury, 50,676 (128); scattering, 81.
- 1864 Samuel Cony, 68,553 (138); Joseph Howard, 46,403 (117).
- 1865 Samuel Cony, 54,420 (131); Joseph Howard, 31,600 (84); scattering, 34.
- 1866 Joshua L. Chamberlain, 69,637 (139); Eben F. Pillsbury, 41,947 (118); scattering, 308.
- Representative. David Lord, 126; Hazen W. Herriman, 128.
- 1867 Joshua L. Chamberlain, 57,332 (115); Eben F. Pillsbury, 46,930 (110); scattering, 431.
- 1868 Joshua L. Chamberlain, 75,523 (146); Eben F. Pillsbury, 53,207 (129); scattering, 52.
- 1869 Joshua L. Chamberlain, 51,314 (162); Franklin Smith, 38,033 (90); N. G. Hitchborn, 4,735.
- Representative. Moses S. Moulton, 167; Jesse Colcord, 84; John Stanley, 1.
- 1870 Sidney Perham, 54,019 (130); Charles W. Roberts, 46,733 (101); scattering, 38.
- 1871 Sidney Perham, 58,285 (128); Charles P. Kimball, 47,578 (110); scattering, 34.
- 1872 Sidney Perham, 71,888 (143); Charles P. Kimball, 55,243 (125); scattering, 35.
- 1873 Nelson Dingley, Jr., 46,244 (123); Joseph Titcomb, 32,924 (87); Joseph H. Williams, 2,160; scattering, 625.
- Representative. Moses S. Moulton, 139; John Stanley, 73.
- 1874 Nelson Dingley, Jr., 50,835 (105); Nelson Dingley, 2,093; Joseph Titcomb, 41,898 (88); scattering, 44.
- 1875 Selden Connor, 57,812 (93); Charles W. Roberts, 53,807 (128); scattering, 46.
- 1876 Selden Connor, 75,867 (146); John C. Talbot, 60,423 (143); Almon Gage, 520; scattering, 13.
- Representative. Roscoe G. Heard, 130; Jordan Stacy, 24,158.
- 1877 Selden Connor, 63,636 (143); Joseph H. Williams, 42,247 (158); H. C. Munson, 5,291; scattering, 935.
- 1878 Selden Connor, 68,554 (93); Joseph L. Smith, 41,371 (50); Alonzo Garcelon, 28,208 (91); scattering, 36.

MARRIAGES RECORDED BY THE TOWN CLERK FROM THE INCORPORATION OF THE
TOWN TO APRIL 18, 1833.

Abbott George, and Louisa Brooks, of Porter,	married Jan. 21, 1830,	by Eben Blazo, jr., esq.
Brooks John, and Betsey Hodsdon, of Porter,	" May 4, 1809,	by James Coffin, esq.
Brooks Thomas, and Rebecca Clark, of Porter,	" Nov. 4, 1816,	by William Towle, esq.
Brooks Asahel, and Betsey Garkland, of Porter,	" July 21, 1825,	by William Towle, esq.
Brooks Rufus, and Lydia Mason, of Porter,	" June 21, 1827,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Blazo Ebene., jr., and Lovina Towle, of Porter,	" May 14, 1826,	William Towle, esq.
Blazo Ebene., jr., and Elizabeth Gibbs, of Porter,	" June 19, 1831,	John Moulton, esq.
Bickford William, and Lydia Tucker, of Porter,	" Sept. 25, 1809,	James Coffin, esq.
Bickford John, of Brownfield, and Abigail Cook, of Porter,	" Dec. 30, 1817,	William Towle, esq.
Blake Benj. E., and Almira Rogers, of Brownfield,	" Aug. 29, 1830,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Billings Samuel, and Mercy Tibbets, of Porter,	" April 13, 1825,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Brown William, and Hannah Snow, of Porter,	" July 8, 1832,	David Colcord, esq.
Bedell Nathaniel, and Nancy Towle, of Porter,	" Dec. 2, 1830,	Eben Blazo, jr., esq.
Berry Alexander, and Kezia French, of Porter,	" June 12, 1831,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Bickford Isaac, and Mary B. Weeks, of Porter,	" Jan. 22, 1832,	John Moulton, esq.
Champion Simeon, of Effingham, and Dorothy Bickford, of Porter,	" Nov. 4, 1815,	William Towle, esq.
Cook William, and Abigail Bickford, of Porter,	" Dec. 3, 1818,	William Towle, esq.
Cook Jonathan, and Mary Ann Brooks, of Porter,	" May 27, 1827,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Coolbroth James, and Hannah Towle, of Porter,	" April 8, 1812,	James Coffin, esq.
Colcord David, and Sally Mason, of Porter,	" Nov. 15, 1821,	James Coffin, esq.
Clark Alvah, of Leicester, N. Y., and Sally Brooks, of Porter,	" Nov. 6, 1826,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Chapman Abraham, and Susan Mason, of Porter,	" Mar. 1, 1827,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Cole Joshua, and Louisa Thompson, of Porter,	" Mar. 10, 1831,	John Moulton, esq.
Chamberlain James O., and Bessey Hill, of Brownfield,	" April 4, 1832,	David Colcord, esq.
Chick Thomas, and Ellen Kimball, of Porter,	" Jan. 6, 1833,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Cohrain John, and Mrs. Lucy B. Shute, of Hiram,	" Mar. 1, 1830,	Joseph H. Gilman, esq.
Davis Ephraim, and Comfort Godfrey, of Porter,	" Mar. 26, 1813,	William Towle, esq.
Dennett John, and Lydia Johnson, of Brownfield,	" April 3, 1825,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Fox Jonathan, and Salome Stacy, of Porter,	" Aug. 2, 1812,	James Coffin, esq.
Fox Richard, and Abigail Hunt, of Porter,	" Dec. 6, 1818,	James Coffin, esq.
Fox Calvin, and Abigail Gould, of Porter,	" April 18, 1822,	William Towle, esq.

Fox Luther, and Betsey Sawyer, of Porter,	" April 27, 1827,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Fox Samuel, and Nancy Peare, of Porter,	" Nov. 22, 1829,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Fox John, Jr., of Porter, and Clarinda Stanley, of Hiram,	" April 22, 1830,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
French William, Jr., and Besey French, of Porter,	" Dec. 22, 1832,	by John Moulton, esq.
French Jacob, 2d, and Sally Winter, of Porter,	" July 4, 1824,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
French Isaac, 1st, and Emily Woodman, of Porter,	" Mar. 27, 1825,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
French Isaac, 2d, and Rebecca Coolbroth, of Porter,	" Dec. 2, 1824,	by William Towle, Jr., esq.
French George, and Hannah Tibbets, of Porter,	" Aug. 17, 1828,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
French Aaron, and Mrs. Catherine Brown, of Porter,	" June 19, 1831,	by John Moulton, esq.
French John, Jr., of Porter, and Belinda Trefren, of Dover, N. H.	" July 25, 1830,	by John Moulton, esq.
Floyd Michael, and Rebecca Tucker, of Porter,	" Mar. 2, 1830,	by William Towle, esq.
Floyd Walden, and Lovin Floyd, of Porter,	" Jan. 15, 1824,	by William Towle, Jr., esq.
Floyd William, and Elsy Floyd, of Porter,	" Sept. 2, 1824,	by William Towle, Jr., esq.
Floyd Daniel, and Fannie Dennett, of Porter,	" Dec. 2, 1827,	by Samuel Hadley, esq.
Fogg Charles, Jr., and Hannah Wentworth, of Brownfield,	" Aug. 15, 1827,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Floyd Henry, and Sally Floyd, of Porter,	" Nov. 6, 1826,	by John Roberts, esq.
Gilman Joseph H., and Nancy Towle, of Porter,	" May 24, 1818,	by William Towle, esq.
Guptill Rice R., of Cornish, and Tryphene Fox, of Porter,	" Feb. 20, 1814,	by James Coffin, esq.
Goodwin Eben. F., of Brownfield, and Abigail Sawyer, of Porter,	" Mar. 29, 1821,	by John Moulton, esq.
Hazeltine Joshua, of Brownfield, and Nancy Elkins, of Porter,	" Dec. 12, 1813,	by James Coffin, esq.
Hodsdon William, and Olive Libby, of Porter,	" May 14, 1824,	by John Moulton, esq.
Hill Augustus, and Belinda Rounds, of Brownfield,	" Mar. 8, 1831,	by David Colcord, esq.
Howard John H., and Catharine Ridlon, of Porter,	" Dec. 6, 1832,	by John Moulton, esq.
Holmes Joseph, and Hannah French, of Porter,	" Dec. 9, 1832,	by William Towle, esq.
King Ralph, and Aphia Libby, of Porter,	" Nov. 16, 1820,	by James Coffin, esq.
Libby James, and Phoebe Benson, of Porter,	" July 17, 1808,	by James Coffin, esq.
Libby Stephen, Jr., and Dorothy Blake, of Porter,	" Jan. 28, 1814,	by William Towle, esq.
Libby Stephen, Lieut., and Nancy Mathews, of Porter,	" Jan. 9, 1817,	by William Towle, esq.
Libby Stephen, Lieut., and Sally Mathews, of Porter,	" Mar. 17, 1818,	by James Coffin, esq.
Libby Levi, of Ontario, N. Y., and Hannah Libby, of Porter,	" Mar. 18, 1814,	by James Coffin, esq.
Libby John, and Mary G. Fox, of Porter,	" Aug. 6, 1815,	by James Coffin, esq.
Libby John, 2d, and Nancy Libby, of Porter,	" Nov. 17, 1816,	by John Moulton, esq.
Larrabee Benjamin, and Mercy Towle, of Porter,	" June 27, 1822,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
	" June 12, 1827,	"

Libby Isaac, and Roxanna Towle, of Porter,	" April 8, 1833,	by William Towle, esq.
Mason Gideon, and Mrs. Abigail Bridges, of Porter,	" Dec. 10, 1818,	by James Coffin, esq.
Mason Henry, and Abigail Libby, of Porter,	" May 20, 1824,	by John Moulton, esq.
Mason Simon, and Jane C. French, of Porter,	" Mar. 16, 1828,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
McCartee Ralph, and Mary Mason, of Porter,	" Apr. 21, 1825,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Merifield Stephen, and Dorothy Durgin, of Porter,	" Mar. 18, 1832,	by David Colcord, esq.
Nason Jacob M., and Thankful Weeks, of Porter,	" Dec. 9, 1830,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Philbrick Jonathan, and Hannah Dennett, of Porter,	" July 23, 1815,	by William Towle, esq.
Pearl Diamond, of Porter, and Jane Cook, of Brownfield,	" Oct. 6, 1814,	James Coffin, esq.
Pearl Joseph, and Eliza Cook, of Porter,	" April 20, 1820,	James Coffin, esq.
Pearl James, and Hannah Garkland, of Porter,	" Sept. 25, 1825,	William Towle, esq.
Pears Jonathan, and Margaret Berry, of Porter,	" Nov. 2, 1828,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Robbins Joshua, and Betsey Ridlon, of Hiram,	" Aug. 5, 1832,	John Moulton, esq.
Ridley Samuel, and Esther Stanley, of Hiram,	" Mar. 8, 1818,	William Towle, esq.
Ridley, William, and Eunice Stanley, of Porter,	" July 3, 1828,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Ricker Ichabod, and Mrs. Lucy McAllister, of Brownfield,	" June 17, 1832,	David Colcord, esq.
Sargent John, of Effingham, and Sally Hoddson, of Porter,	" April 10, 1810,	James Coffin, esq.
Sargent Daniel, of Effingham, and Anna Brooks, of Porter,	" April 22, 1813,	James Coffin, esq.
Sargent William T., of Porter, and Lucy Rice, of Effingham,	" Dec. 26, 1831,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Stanley Joseph, and Sally Palmer, of Porter,	" Nov. 8, 1810,	James Coffin, esq.
Stanley Charles, and Anna Pearl, of Porter,	" Oct. 20, 1816,	William Towle, esq.
Stanley Eliska, and Mrs. Lovey Taylor, of Porter,	" June 20, 1819,	James Coffin, esq.
Stanley Isaac, of Hiram, and Sissanna Gould, of Porter,	" Jan. 6, 1825,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Stanley Joseph, Jr., and Nancy C. French, of Porter,	" Feb. 13, 1825,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Stanley Jacob, and Betsey Thompson, of Hiram,	" June 8, 1826,	William Towle, esq.
Stanley Dennis, and Elizabeth Hill, of Porter,	" April 26, 1829,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Stacy Oliver, and Abigail Fox, of Porter,	" Dec. 1, 1814,	William Towle, esq.
Stacy Jordan, and Sally Libby, of Porter,	" Dec. 4, 1817,	James Coffin, esq.
Stacy George, and Lydia Taylor, of Porter,	" April 26, 1829,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Sweet Moses, of Effingham (now Freedom), and Mary Moulton, of Porter,"	" Jan. 18, 1829,	John Roberts, esq.
Stuart Samuel, of Effingham, and Anna Brooks, of Porter,	" Jan. 11, 1816,	James Coffin, esq.
Thompson James W., of Conway, and Hannah McM. Coffin, of Porter,"	" Oct. 20, 1830,	John Moulton, esq.
Towle Stephen, of Parsonsfield, and Abigail Woodman, of Porter,	" Feb. 28, 1813,	William Towle, esq.
Towle Joseph G., and Ruth French, of Porter,	" Dec. 12, 1824,	by William Towle, esq.

Towle Ezra, and Mrs. Rebecca French, of Porter,	married Mar. 31, 1831,	by Ebenezer Blazo, esq.
Towle Nehemiah F., and Sally French, of Porter,	" Feb. 25, 1821,	by James Coffin, esq.
Tucker Hugh, of Rochester, N. H., and Charity Bickford, of Porter,	" Mar. 28, 1812,	by James Coffin, esq.
Tibbets Samuel, and Isabel French, of Porter,	" Nov. 14, 1822,	by William Towle, esq.
Tibbets Samuel, of Eaton, and Betsey Brooks, of Porter,	" June 27, 1821,	by John Moulton, esq.
Varney Andrew, and Sally Floyd, of Porter,	" Dec. 16, 1813,	by William Towle, esq.
Weeks Joshua, of Bartlett, N. H., and Jenimina Libby, of Porter,	" Oct. 21, 1810,	by James Coffin, esq.
Weeks Josiah, and Mary Libby, of Porter,	" Jan. 27, 1811,	by James Coffin, esq.
Wiley, Nathaniel, of Brookfield, and Jane Hayes, of Porter,	" Nov. 25, 1813,	by James Coffin, esq.
Welch Ase E., of Parsonsfield, and Mrs. Hannah Coolbroth, of Porter,"	" Dec. 8, 1831,	by David Colcord, esq.
Winchell William, and Sally Foy,	" Nov. 12, 1823,	by William Towle, esq.

MARRIAGES, RECORD OF, CONTINUED TO MARCH, 1858.

Anderson Stuart F., and Hannah B. Fox, of Porter,	married Sept. 10, 1840,	by John Moulton, esq.
Brown William, and Isabella Libby, of Porter,	" Dec. 14, 1851,	by Henry M. Libby, esq.
Brown James H., of Parsonsfield, and Ellen McCarter, of Porter,	" Jan. 1, 1856,	by Aaron H. Mason, esq.
Brooks John, and Sally Fogg, of Porter,	" Jan. 11, 1835,	by David Colcord, esq.
Brooks Stephen C., and Isabella Colcord, of Porter,	" Jan. 3, 1841,	by David Colcord, esq.
Brooks Zebulon, of Freedom, and Eliza Towle of Porter,	" Nov. 25, 1841,	by Ebenezer Blazo, esq.
Brooks Zebulon, of Freedom, and Sally Ann Tibbets, of Porter,	" April 28, 1844,	by Rev. James McMillan.
Brooks John, 2d, and Josephine Stanley, of Porter,	" April 11, 1847,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Brooks John, 2d, and Eliza Ann Pearl, of Porter,	" Dec. 23, 1851,	by Henry M. Libby, esq.
Bickford Fri, of Freedom, and Susan Guphill, of Porter	" July 3, 1834,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Bickford Jesse and Lucy French, of Porter,	" Nov. 4, 1849,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Bickford Wm. C. and Charity P. Kennard, of Porter,	" April 21, 1850,	by Francis L. Rice, esq.
Blazo Ebenezer, of Porter, and Mrs. Susan Kenerson, of Parsonsfield,	" Sept. 28, 1854,	by Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
Blazo Ebenezer, and Joanna M. Allord, of Porter,	" Sept. 11, 1867,	by Thomas Moulton, esq.
Banks Israel, and Martha M. Pillsbury, of Parsonsfield	" Sept. 18, 1839,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Bianchard George S., of Eaton, and Mary Linscott, of Brownfield,	" Sept. 25, 1839,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Bridges Ammi, and Asenath Kennard, of Porter,	" June 2, 1839,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Butler Wm. L., and Lucinda Danforth, of Porter,	" Dec. 7, 1843,	by Rev. E. C. Willey.

HISTORY OF PORTER.

Bennett George W., of Tainworth, and Rhoda A. Emery, of Porter,	"	Dec. 26, 1847,	by Rev. Jeremiah Bullock.
Bartwell John, of Parsonsfield, and Nancy Hazeltine, of Porter,	"	Dec. 24, 1848,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Billings Thomas T., and Abigail Libby, of Porter,	"	Jan. 18, 1852,	by Rev. James Rand.
Blake Lorenzo M., and Emily H. Quint, of Porter,	"	Oct. 28, 1853,	by Henry M. Libby, esq.
Bradeen John, and Hannah Fox, of Porter,	"	Dec. 9, 1855,	Rev. J. B. O. Colby.
Banks Otis, of Parsonsfield, and Louisa Gibbs, of Porter,	"	Dec. 19, 1855,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Cole Tobias, and Hannah F. Davis, of Porter,	"	March 7, 1855,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Cole Eben S., and Eunice Walker, of Brownfield,	"	Jan. 8, 1839,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Colcord Phineas, and Nancy Garland, of Porter,	"	Dec. 23, 1839,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Colcord Washington, and Susan O. Roberts, of Porter,	"	April 4, 1844,	David Colcord, esq.
Colcord David A., of Porter, and Martha J. Hill, of Brownfield	"	May 1, 1851,	David Colcord, esq.
Colcord Caleb E., and Mary Kennard, of Porter,	"	Nov. 26, 1840,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Clemmons Aldrich M., of Hiram, and Sarah B. Sawyer, of Porter,	"	Dec. 23, 1848,	Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Clemmons Wm., and Eliza J. Smith, of Hiram,	"	April 19, 1857,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Collins Obadiah R., and Olive Meserve, of Parsonsfield,	"	Dec. 25, 1834,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Chamberlain Samuel, and Deborah G. Libby, of Brownfield,	"	April 25, 1838,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Cousins Ebenezer, and Jemima E. Weeks, of Porter,	"	Dec. 29, 1842,	Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
Cousins Joseph, of Limington, and Hannah Tibbets, of Porter,	"	March 12, 1853,	Richard W. Braden, esq.
Clemmons Daniel L., of Hiram, and Hannah Fox, of Porter,	"	April 5, 1849,	Ebenezer Blazo, esq.
Chapel Jeremiah, and Melvina Smith, of Hiram,	"	Oct. 5, 1851,	Edward Gibbs, esq.
Cook Horace, and Naomi Floyd, of Porter,	"	Nov. 12, 1853,	Henry M. Libby, esq.
Cook Wm., and Sarah Ann Kennard, of Porter,	"	March 7, 1854,	David Colcord, esq.
Crowell Wm., of Dorchester, Mass., and Leonice G. Stacy, of Porter,	"	Aug. 14, 1852,	Edward Gibbs, esq.
Chick Joseph, of Freedom, and Charity Berkford, of Porter,	"	Nov. 21, 1853,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Chapman Sylvanus, of Hiram, and Mercy Towle of Porter,	"	June 4, 1854,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Chapman Hanson L., and Elmeline Stacy, of Porter,	"	Nov. 13, 1857,	Rev. W. F. Farrington.
Cotton Elisha, of Brownfield, and Sophronia Gupill, of Porter,	"	May 18, 1853,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Davis Jeremiah M., and Mehitable W. Foster, of Parsonsfield,	"	Aug. 10, 1839,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Davis Ezra, of Porter, and Mrs. Mercy Burbank, of Hiram,	"	June 29, 1856,	John P. Hubbard, esq.
Day Edmund, and Catharine Stanley, of Porter,	"	Feb. 14, 1839,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Day Levi, and Deborah Cook, of Porter,	"	July 15, 1841,	David Colcord, esq.
Day William, and Mary E. Varney, of Porter,	"	Feb. 14, 1848,	David Colcord, esq.
Downs Daniel, and Almira Durgin, of Porter,	"	May 15, 1851,	Joseph Stanley, esq.
Downs Abial, of Porter, and Rebecca Gray,	"	Nov. 24, 1836,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
	"	April 18, 1841,	Rev. Benj. Hawkins.

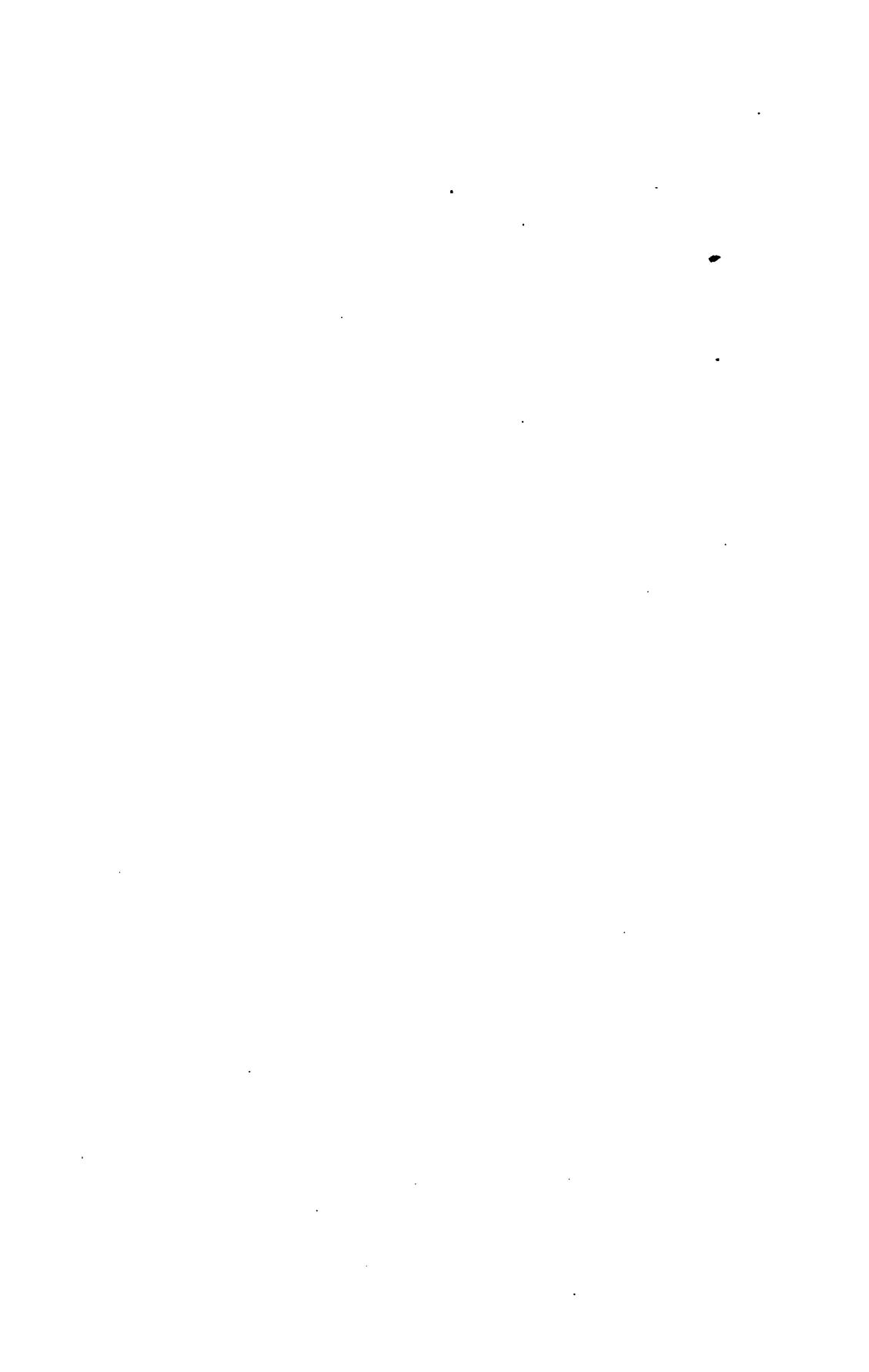
Dearborn James S., and Rhoda Towle, of Porter,	married April 20, 1823, by Wm. Towle, esq.
Durvin Caleb, and Jemima Ridlon, of Porter,	" Feb. 12, 1835, by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Danforth Samuel, and Mary Ann Brooks, of Porter,	" Sept. 15, 1844, Rev. Ephraim H. Hoyt.
French John P., and Lydia S. French, of Porter,	" Sept. 8, 1839, John Moulton, esq.
French Samuel, and Dorothy Day, of Porter,	" Nov. 22, 1840, Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
French Samuel, 2d, and Mary Hurd, of Porter,	" Dec. 20, 1846, Joseph Stanley, esq.
French Woodman, of Porter, and Mary Arville Wiggin, of Freedom,	" Sept. 20, 1848, Rev. Joseph Stanley, esq.
French Isaac L., and Ann P. Cole, of Porter,	" Feb. 21, 1850, Rev. Jesse Stone.
French Jeremiah B., and Clarissa F. French, of Porter,	" April 12, 1857, Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Floyd Walden, and Olive Saenger, of Porter,	" Nov. 30, 1831, David Colcord, esq.
Floyd Ira, and Sally Stanley, of Porter,	" Jan. 22, 1836, Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Floyd Jacob, and Catharine Kennard, of Porter,	" Nov. 23, 1838, David Colcord, esq.
Floyd Wm., jr., and Hannorah Maloney, of Porter,	" Nov. 28, 1839, Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Fox Albion P., and Achsah Davis, of Porter.	" March 5, 1847, Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn
Fox Andrew G., and Ruth G. Stacy, of Porter,	" Nov. 29, 1838, Rev. James Sawyer.
Fox George W., of Porter, and Hannah Gould, of Hiram,	" Dec. 5, 1839, Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Fox Albion P., and Lydia M. Gould, of Porter,	" Mar. 22, 1833, Henry M. Libby, esq.
Fox Stephen P., and Laura Jane Stanley, of Porter,	" Feb. 5, 1854, Henry M. Libby, esq.
Fox George, of Porter, and Betsey Gould, of Hiram,	" Nov. 4, 1836, Aaron H. Mason, esq.
Foster Isaac, and Jane Davis, of Parsonsfield,	" Jan. 1, 1843, Ephraim Flint, esq.
Gould Daniel, of Porter, and Deborah Stanley, of Hiram,	" Dec. 30, 1838, Rev. James Sawyer.
Gould Noah, and Sarah D. Parker, of Parsonsfield,	" Nov. 28, 1833, Rev. James Sawyer.
Gould Elias, and Julia French, of Porter,	" Sept. 21, 1836, Rev. James Sawyer.
Gould Daniel, 2d, and Lucinda Smith, of Hiram,	" Sept. 24, 1841, John Moulton, esq.
Gibbs William, and Deborah Wiggin, of Parsonsfield,	" Jan. 27, 1852, Henry M. Libby, esq.
Gibbs Abner, of Porter, and Sarah A. Libby, of Parsonsfield,	" Feb. 19, 1846, Edward Gibbs, esq.
Gerrish Peleg W., of Hiram, and Lydia P. Chase, of Parsonsfield,	" July 9, 1854, Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Gray Daniel, and Betsey Smith, of Hiram,	" Mar. 16, 1848, Rev. Amariah Joy.
Gammom Albert, of Parsonsfield, and Eunice Y. Taylor, of Porter,	" Dec. 18, 1850, Rev. Jesse Stone.
Gilpatrick Nathaniel, of Hiram, and Abigail B. Merfield, of Porter,	" Jan. 23, 1851, Rev. Jesse Stone.
Gentleman Wm. F., of Porter, and Diana Wilkerson, of Eaton,	" May 7, 1853, Edward Gibbs, esq.
Hill Benjamin, and Hulda Parker, of Brownfield,	" Mar. 12, 1834, Rev. King Atkinson.
Hill Shadrach, and Mrs. Abigail Cook, of Porter,	" April 17, 1856, David Colcord, esq.
Hodsdon George, of Porter, and Rhoda Lord, of Hiram,	" Feb. 6, 1836, Wm. T. Taylor, esq.

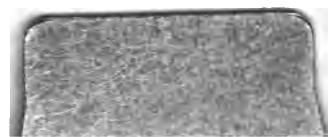
Haley John, of Porter, and Sarah Ann Tripp, of Hiram,	"	Dec. 23, 1837,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Hubbard Thomas L., of Hiram, and Mary Jane Mason, of Porter,	"	Nov. 21, 1844,	by Rev. James McMillan.
Howard Mathew, of Great Falls, N. H., and Olive Fox, of Porter,	"	Mar. 31, 1852,	by Rev. James Rand.
Johnson I. B., and Nancy Hawkins, of Porter,	"	Mar. 7, 1841,	by Rev. Benj. Hawkins.
Johnson Albert A., LaCrosse, Wis., and Frances A. Norton, of Limington,"	"	Feb. 11, 1856,	by Edward Gibbs, esq.
Jenness Ezekiel, and Nancy Libby, of Porter,	"	Aug. 9, 1851,	by John Moulton, esq.
Kennard George W., and Nancy Stanley, of Porter,	"	Nov. 7, 1851,	by Francis L. Rice, esq.
Kezar Charles, and Eliza Towle, of Porter,	"	Dec. 29, 1842,	by Ebenezer Blazo, esq.
Kezar John, 2d, of Parsonsfield, and Maria Towle, of Porter,	"	Aug. 26, 1835,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Libby Levi, of Porter, and Eliza Boothby, of Limington,	"	Mar. 28, 1834,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Libby John M., and Lovina G. Guptill, of Porter,	"	Dec. 1, 1832,	Hanson Libby, esq.
Libby John M., of Porter, and Susan Mills, of Lowell, Mass.,	"	Jan. 12, 1852,	by Rev. A. H. Moulton.
Libby Randall, and Sally Towle, of Porter,	"	Sept. 3, 1837,	by Wm. T. Taylor.
Libby Trueworthy C., and Hannah E. Hurd, of Porter,	"	Dec. 11, 1839,	by Wm. T. Taylor.
Libby Hanson, 2d, and Susan Tibbets, of Porter,	"	Dec. 7, 1833,	Rev. James McMillan.
Libby Hanson, 2d, and Mary A. Sawyer, of Porter,	"	May 15, 1856,	by Rev. L. A. Lang.
Libby John, and Mrs. Anna Tibbets, of Porter,	"	Nov. 20, 1848,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Libby Abram, of Brookfield, Vt., and Judith Hurd, of Porter,	"	Feb. 22, 1849,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Libby Joel T., and Ruth L. Billings, of Porter,	"	May 7, 1848,	Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Libby Daniel, of Porter, and Almira Howard, of Lovell,	"	Oct. 29, 1854,	George G. Stacy, esq.
Lord John, and Mary Gould, of Porter,	"	Dec. 2, 1858,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Lord Levi, Jr., and Louisa Merfield, of Porter,	"	Jan. 9, 1840,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Lord Jacob, and Mary Ann Bradeen, of Porter,	"	Dec. 10, 1843,	Rev. E. C. Willey.
Lord Jacob, and Caroline Bradeen, of Porter,	"	Nov. 25, 1846,	by John Moulton, esq.
Lord Jacob, and Abba L. Johnson, of Porter,	"	Mar. 7, 1852,	John Moulton, esq.
Lord Albert, and Lydia A. Bickford, of Porter,	"	Nov. 8, 1838,	David Colcord, esq.
Lord David, and Mary Ann Stanley, of Porter,	"	April 25, 1850,	Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Lord William, and Mary C. Benton, of Hiram,	"	Mar. 27, 1852,	Edward Gibbs, esq.
Linscott James M., and Martha Walker, of Brownfield,	"	Mar. 1, 1852,	David Colcord, esq.
Lombard George C., of Baldwin, and Sarah Ann Chapman, of Porter,	"	July 7, 1850,	Rev. John Buzzell.
Lowell Albert, of Hiram, and Sarah A. Stanley, of Porter,	"	Mar. 4, 1852,	Rev. James Rand.
Lewis George, of Brownfield, and Meribah Tripp, of Porter,	"	Mar. 22, 1855,	Richard W. Bradeen, esq.
Landon Calvin, and Sally Snow,	"	Aug. 11, 1834,	David Colcord, esq.
Landon Calvin, and Nancy Konerson, of Porter,	"	July 14, 1836,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Mason Joseph, and Ruth S. Fox, of Porter,	"	Oct. 9, 1834,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.

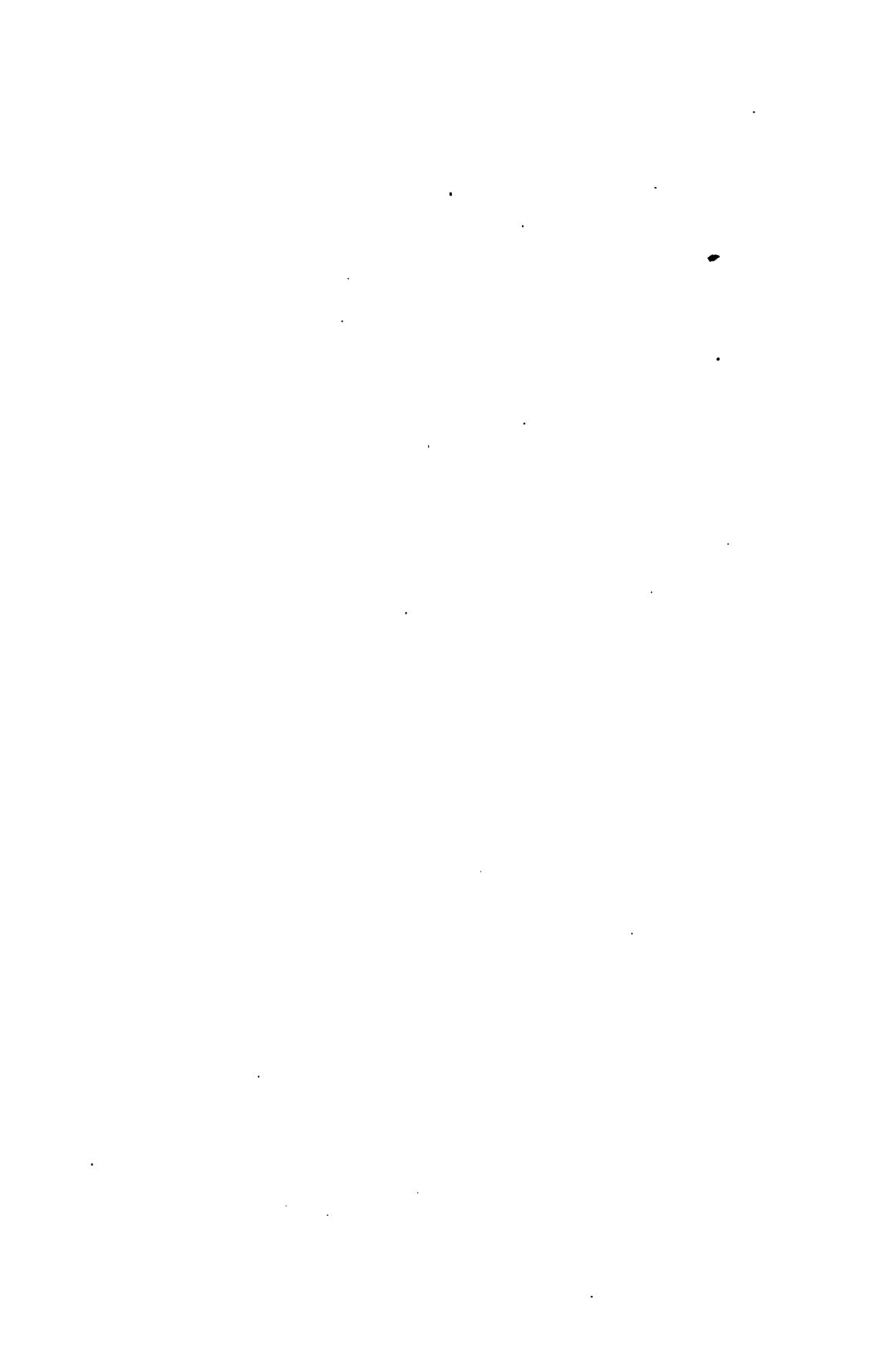
Mason Thomas, and Mary C. Wallingford, of Porter,	married Nov. 26, 1835,	by Hanson Libby, esq.
Mason Moses S., and Mrs. Emily A. Cole, of Porter,	" Dec. 27, 1845,	by John Moulton, esq.
Mason Meshach, of Porter, and Mrs. Lucinda Foster, of Parsonsfield,	" Mar. 15, 1849,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Mason Isaac, Jr., of Saco, and Adaline Gould, of Hiram,	" June 10, 1851,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Mason Daniel, and Susan E. Stanley, of Porter,	" Sept. 6, 1857,	by Aaron H. Mason, esq.
Merrifield John, of Porter, and Sarah Ridlon, of Hiram,	" May 7, 1848,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Merrifield Ivory, of Porter, and Mrs. Catharine Quint, of Brownfield,	" Jan. 6, 1858,	by Ebenezer Blazo, esq.
Marden Alpheus, and Dolly Brown, of Brownfield,	" July 20, 1834,	by John Moulton, esq.
Moniton Moses S., and Armine Tibbeits, of Porter,	" Mar. 30, 1850,	by Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
McKeen Alvyn, of Fryeburg, and Livonia Weeks, of Porter,	" Oct. 17, 1847,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Nutter Charles, Jr., and Dorothy Moulton, of Porter,	" Oct. 17, 1833,	by John Moulton, esq.
Norton Gilman J., of Cornish, and Abra Fox, of Porter,	" Aug. 11, 1836,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Parker Reuben, and Sarah T. Brooks, of Porter,	" June 9, 1839,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Parker Benning, and Sally L. Edgecomb, of Parsonsfield,	" Jan. 7, 1836,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Parker Henry M., and Clarissa Sawyer, of Hiram,	" Feb. 17, 1830,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Pearl Samuel O., and Phebe Durgin, of Porter,	" Feb. 24, 1845,	by Rev. B. S. Mansur.
Pearl James, 2d, and Asenath Philbrick, of Porter,	" Dec. 2, 1846,	by David Colcord, esq.
Pearl John E., and Sarah A. Cook, of Porter,	" May 10, 1846,	by David Colcord, esq.
Pillsbury E. C., of Shapleigh, and Tryphene Mason, of Porter,	" Oct. 8, 1857,	by David Colcord, esq.
Pillsbury Amos P., and Sarah French, of Porter,	" May 31, 1840,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Pearre Stephen, and Mrs. Lydia Downs, of Porter,	" July 10, 1835,	by David Colcord, esq.
Pearre John, of Parsonsfield, and Mary Taylor, of Porter,	" Nov. 21, 1850,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Pratt Levi, of Freedom, and Mary Edgecomb, of Parsonsfield,	" Oct. 29, 1839,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Pratt George W., of Chelsea, Mass., and Mary E. Pearl, of Porter,	" Oct. 18, 1847,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Plummer Joseph, and Sarah Sargent, of Brownfield,	" Nov. 26, 1838,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Pride Alvan, of Stow, and Sarah A. Nutter, of Porter,	" Mar. 23, 1843,	by Rev. J. L. Frasier.
Philbrick Wm. T., and Sarah F. Pearl, of Porter,	" April 11, 1847,	by David Colcord, esq.
Perry Wm., of Westminster, Mass., and Lydia Libby, of Porter,	" Oct. 17, 1847,	by Rev. Augustus P. Sanborn.
Pearre Jonathan, and Anna Fox, of Porter,	" Nov. 28, 1833,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Quint John C., and Harriet Rounds, of Brownfield,	" May 1, 1841,	by Rev. Benj. Hawkins.
Quint John, Jr., and Sally Brooks, of Porter,	" July 5, 1846,	by David Colcord, esq.
Ridlon Levi, and Hannah Lord, of Porter,	" Aug. 9, 1838,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Ridlon Daniel D., of Hiram, and Olive H. Stacy, of Porter,	" July 12, 1840,	by John Moulton, esq.
Ridlon Daniel D., of Hiram, and Mary Fox, of Porter,	" Dec. 7, 1845,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Ridlon Thomas, of Hiram, and Ruth S. Mason, of Porter,	" Nov. 5, 1840,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.

Ridlon George W., of Porter, and Mary Ann Poor, of Parsonsfield,	"	Nov. 8, 1854,	by Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Ridlon Ephraim, and Olive Cole, of Porter,	"	Nov. 27, 1841,	by Hanson Libby, esq.
Rice Elias, of Freedom, and Mary Quint, of Brownfield,	"	Aug. 25, 1839,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Rice Elias, of Freedom, and Mary Quint, of Brownfield,	"	May 8, 1853,	by Francis L. Rice, esq.
Rice Joseph T., and Abigail Libby of Porter,	"	Feb. 3, 1855,	by Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Rice Ivory, of Freedom, and Mary McCarter, of Porter,	"	Feb. 3, 1851,	by Rev. Benj. Hawkins.
Rounds Nathaniel, of Brownfield, and Harriet French, of Porter,	"	Jan. 22, 1854,	by David Colcord, esq.
Rounds Wm., and Nancy Chamberlain, of Brownfield,	"	Dec. 21, 1834,	by David Colcord, esq.
Ricker Jeremiah, and Mary Stanley, of Porter,	"	April 20, 1840,	by Hanson Libby, esq.
Randall Thomas, jr., of Eaton, and Alice Gupill, of Porter,	"	April 20, 1834,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Stanley Simon, of Porter, and Nancy Brown, of Freedom,	"	Dec. 12, 1835,	by David Colcord, esq.
Stanley John, and Nancy C. Libby, of Porter,	"	Dec. 4, 1837,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Stanley Joseph H., and Olive Peters, of Porter,	"	Dec. 19, 1839,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Stanley Elisha, Jr., and Lucy Brooks, of Porter,	"	April 9, 1840,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Stanley John, of Hiram, and Salome Stacy, of Porter,	"	May 2, 1844,	by Rev. James McMillan.
Stanley Joseph, 2d, and Mary Ann Weeks, of Porter,	"	May 16, 1849,	by David Colcord, esq.
Stanley Wm. S., and Mary E. Blake, of Brownfield,	"	Oct. 9, 1849,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Stanley Charles, and Lydia Fox, of Porter,	"	Dec. 19, 1850,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Stanley John, 3d, and Martha Jane Fox, of Porter,	"	April 22, 1852,	by John Moulton, esq.
Stanley George, of Porter, and Lydia A. Smith, of Hiram,	"	Jan. 1, 1862,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Stanley Ivory, and Sarah A. Fox, of Porter,	"	Sept. 24, 1853,	by Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Stanley Moses N., of Porter, and Roxana M. Blake, of Brownfield,	"	April 5, 1855,	by Aaron H. Mason, esq.
Stanley Horace, and Lydia Jane McCrellis, of Porter,	"	April 10, 1857,	by Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Stanley Clark, and Maribah Linscott, of Porter,	"	Sept. 3, 1855,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Sargent Benj., and Mary Ann Shute, of Porter,	"	May 14, 1837,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Sargent John, jr., and Mary Ann Hubbard, of Porter,	"	Mar. 17, 1850,	by Rev. Samuel Boothby.
Sargent Robert, and Eliza M. Lord, of Porter,	"	Mar. 8, 1855,	by Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Silver Albert W., of Campton, N. H., and Abigail M. Nason, of Porter,	"	July 17, 1842,	by Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
Smith Daniel E., of Parsonsfield, and Hannah Libby, of Porter,	"	Mar. 6, 1853,	by Henry M. Libby, esq.
Smith George E., of Parsonsfield, and Sarah E. Taylor, of Porter,	"	Sept. 4, 1836,	by Rev. James Sawyer.
Smith Nelson, of Freedom, and Sally F. Sawyer, of Porter,	"	May 10, 1846,	by John Moulton, esq.
Sawyer Thomas B., and Lydia Mason, of Porter,	"	Oct. 24, 1848,	by Joseph Stanley, esq.
Sawyer Jason G., of Porter, and Hannah Brown, of Lebanon,	"	Dec. 17, 1848,	by David Colcord, esq.
Stacy George G., and Serena G. Gupill, of Porter,	"	Feb. 28, 1850,	by Rev. Jesse Stone.
Stacy Jordan, 2d, and Lydia F. Tibbets, of Porter,	"	"	by Henry M. Libby, esq.
Stacy Lorenzo D., and Nancy L. Gupill, of Porter,	"	Nov. 19, 1851,	

Stacy Oliver, Jr., and Maria McDonald, of Porter,	married May 26, 1852,	Rev. Samuel Boothby.
Stacy Greenleaf, and Ruth C. Sargent, of Porter,	" Nov. 5, 1853,	by Francis L. Rice, esq.
Small Ainsel, of Vassalborough, and Eunice Parker, of Parsonsfield,	" Nov. 1, 1838,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Sutton John, Jr., of Parsonsfield, and Josephine Taylor, of Porter,	" April 28, 1844,	Rev. James McMillan.
Spring Jonas B., of Hiram, and Sarah A. Mason, of Porter,	" July 10, 1852,	Richard W. Bradeen, esq.
Stuart John, of Brownfield, and Susan Hartford, of Porter,	" Nov. 30, 1854,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Towle Daniel, Jr., and Maria Jane Tibbets, of Porter,	" Dec. 17, 1857,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Towle David, Jr., and Susan Marden, of Porter,	" July 4, 1850,	Rev. Jesse Stone.
Towle Wm. B., and Sarah J. Mason, of Porter,	" Sept. 28, 1851,	John Moulton, esq.
Towle Wm. of Freedom, and Maria Kimball, of Porter,	" July 3, 1853,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Towle George W., and Susanna M. Gilman, of Porter,	" Nov. 17, 1853,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Towle David, and Mrs. Climenia Perkins, of Porter,	" May 15, 1864,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Towle Wm., and Nancy H. Fox, of Porter,	" Nov. 27, 1854,	Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
Thompson Phineas, and Dolly Libby, of Porter,	" Oct. 3, 1841,	Rev. Benj. Hawkins.
Thompson Alonso, of Hiram, and Hannah Boston, of Cornish,	" Feb. 12, 1857,	George G. Stacy, esq.
Taylor Wm. T., of Porter, and Sally Rice, of Freedom,	" July 19, 1835,	Rev. James Sawyer.
Thomas Thomas, Jr., of Baldwin, and Anna Pearl, of Porter,	" Dec. 10, 1839,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Varney Michael, and Mary B. Cook, of Porter,	" Oct. 18, 1836,	David Colcord, esq.
Varney David, and Lydia Guptill, of Porter,	" Feb. 14, 1849,	David Colcord, esq.
Weeks Josiah, Jr., and Ardeia B. Cole, of Porter,	" Aug. 23, 1840,	Hanson Libby, esq.
Weeks Clark, and Mary Ann Mason, of Porter,	" July 4, 1843,	Rev. Henry L. Linscott.
Weeks Wm. S., and Sarah Stanley, of Porter,	" Feb. 16, 1845,	Rev. James McMillan.
Weeks Samuel S., and Mary A. Sargent, of Porter,	" May 12, 1849,	David Colcord, esq.
Weeks Moses R., and Ursula A. Drew, of Porter,	" " 1854,	Rev. David Gerry.
Weeks John C., and Ann Augusta Floyd, of Porter,	" April 19, 1857,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
Webster John, and Olive Philbrick, of Porter,	" Oct. 28, 1858,	Wm. T. Taylor, esq.
Wormwood Darius, and Jane Osgood, of Porter,	" June 5, 1847,	John Moulton, esq.
Wadsworth Samuel D., and Sarah A. Warren, of Hiram,	" Aug. 31, 1861,	John Moulton, esq.
Wentworth Emery, of Limington, and Eunice Lord, of Porter,	" Mar. 3, 1853,	Rev. Silas Moulton.
Wood Albion P., and Jane B. Wales, of Hiram,	" Aug. 22, 1853,	Richard W. Bradeen, esq.
Wiggin Jacob H., and Rose Ann Mason, of Porter,	" Nov. 13, 1853,	Rev. Joseph Stanley.
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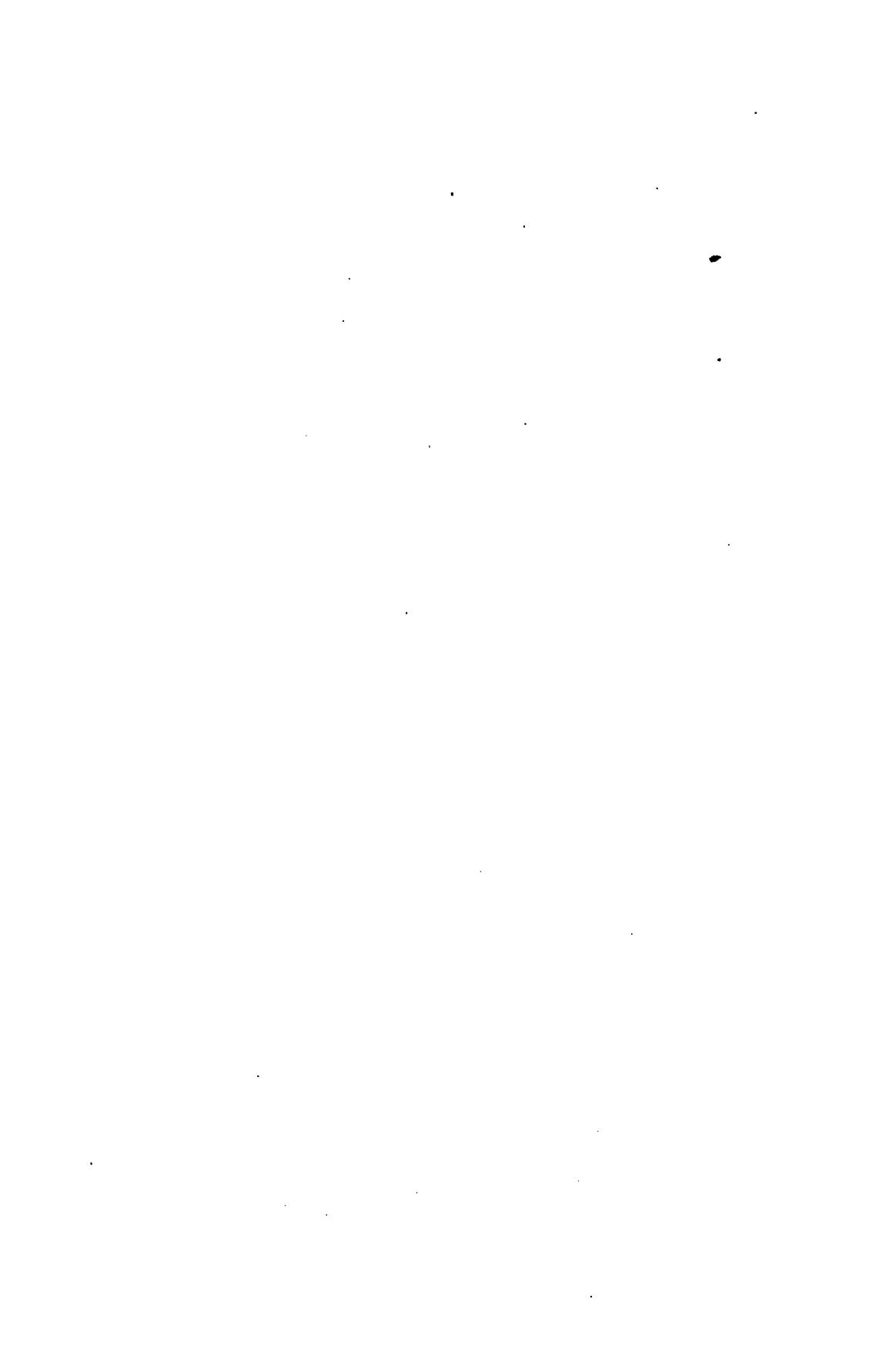


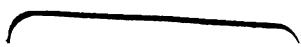
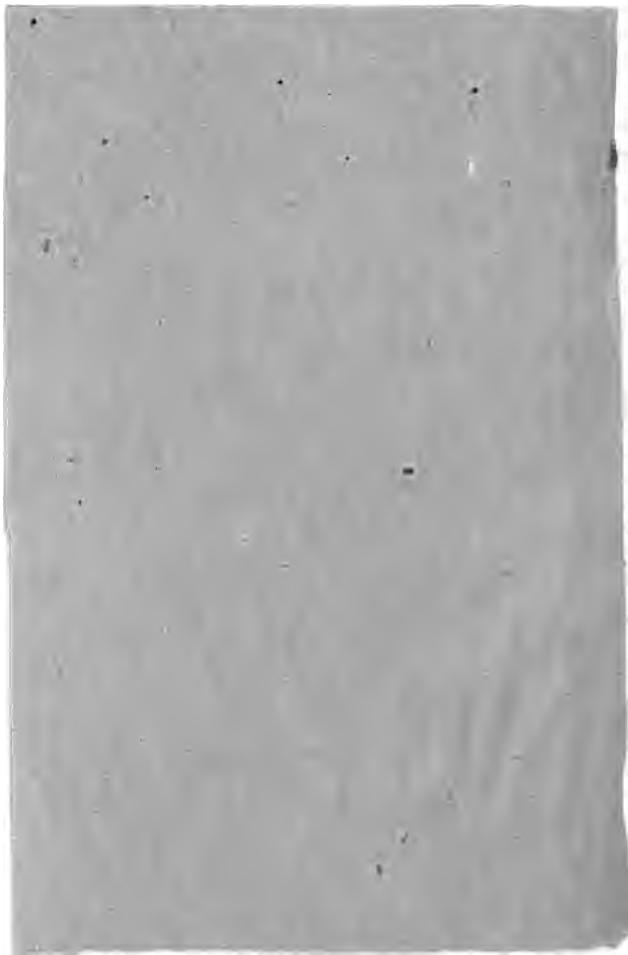






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